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AVIS

CREATION D'UNE ZONE RESERVEE A CERTAINS TYPES DE CONSTRUCTIONS

(Séance de la Commission d'Administration Municipale du 22 Novembre 1938)

La Commission décide:

—de créer une zône dite "de résidence" exclusivement réservée aux maisons et bâtiments des catégories IIb, IIIa & IIIb de la classification générale des constructions fixée comme ci-après:

Classification des constructions

I.—Maisons du type à compartiments.—

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—de délimiter le contour extérieur de cette zône suivant un plan déterminé.

—de compléter l'organisation de cette zône par les dispositions suivantes:

1°)—Les îlots de maisons à compartiments ou villages existant dans cette zône seront délimités ultérieurement aprés une inspection détaillée des lieux et des constructions par les Services.

2°)—Un programme sera établi en vue de l'amélioration progressive des conditions d'habitation, d'esthétique et de salubrité des îlots qui doivent être conservés.

3°)—En contre-partie du maintien de ces îlots dans la zône réservée, il y aura lieu d'assurer la protection d'autres quartiers de résidence et d'immeubles européens extérieurs à la zône réservée, notamment au voisinage du Parc de Koukaza, du Cercle Sportif, du Grosvenor House, du Cathay Mansions, de l'Hôpital Sainte Marie et de l'emplacement du futur Hôtel Municipal.

Le projet d'ordonnance consulaire relatif à la classification ci-dessus et délimitant la zône dite de résidence sera publié au prochain Bulletin Municipal paraissant le 8 Décembre 1938 avec un plan de la dite zône.

Les propriétaires devront adresser leurs observations à l'Administration Municipale, 375 avenue Joffre, par écrit, dans un délai de 15 jours à compter de la date de la publication du Bulletin Municipal ci-dessus désigné.

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DECEMBER

7 Lecture: 'Present Day Activities of Salvation Army,' by Comm. Benwell, Foreign Y.M.C.A., 5.30
7 Cathedral Organ/Violin recital, 5.45
7 'The Women,' Lyceum, 9

Coming Events

DECEMBER

8 For. Y. Debate: 'Unemployment,' 9
8 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
8 'The Women,' Lyceum, 9
9 Fun Fair, Union Church Hall, 5-7
9 Anzac Society of Shanghai, annual general meeting, 12 The Bund, 5.30
9 Shai. Dialect Cl., For. Y.M.C.A., 6
9 For. Y. 'Hour of Music,' 6
9 'The Women,' Lyceum, 9
10 Fun Fair, Union Ch. Hall, 10-12, 2-6
10 J.R.C. annual dance, A.W.C., 9
10 'The Women,' Lyceum, 9
11 B.W.A. Ann. Ser. Cathedral, 10.30 a.m.
11 Municipal Orchestra Symphony Concert, Lyceum, 5.15
12 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg, Y.M.C.A., 3
12 Engineering Society Meeting, 5.45
12 B.U.S.C. Musical, Supper, Dance evening at the Dome, 9
12 'Old Carthusian' Soc. dinner, S'hai. Club.
13 For. Y. Lecture: 'Social Observations,' 9
14 S.L.H.A. Tea Dance, Ciro's
14 Theosophical Society, 75 Jessfield Rd., Public Lecture, 6
15 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
15 Royal Asiatic Society Meeting
15 'The Mascot,' music by E. Odran, Russian Light Opera, Lyceum, 8.45
15 For. Y. Debate: 'Chinese Morals and Movies,' 9
16 Shai. Dialect Cl., For. Y.M.C.A., 6
16 For. Y. 'Hour of Music,' 6
16 'Goldmarie und Pechmarie,' German A.D.C., Lyceum, 9
17 'Goldmarie und Pechmarie,' German A.D.C., Lyceum, 3
17 S'hai Rowing Club Jubilee Dance
17 'The Mascot,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
18 Cathedral Carol Service, 6
18 'The Mascot,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
20 For. Y. Lecture: 'Diet and Health,' 9
21 Cathedral Carol Service, 5.45
21 French A.D.C., 'Ruy Blas 38', Lyc., 9
21 19th Annual Hanuccah Ball, 9.30
22 Cathedral School for Boys, Speech Day, Masonic Hall at 5.30.
22 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
22 For. Y. Debate: 'Enslaved Women,' 9
23 Shai. Dialect Cl., For. Y.M.C.A., 6
23 For. Y. 'Hour of Music,' 6
27 For. Y. Lecture: 'Nutritional Values,' 9
29 Rummage Sale, U.C. Hall, Limbless Fund
29 Royal Asiatic Society Meeting
29 7th Rover Ball, Masonic Hall, 9
29 For. Y. Debate: 'Pacifism and Warmakers,' 9
30 Shai. Dialect Cl., For. Y.M.C.A. 6

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Missing Russian:

Wife's Pathetic Plea

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I write to you in the hope that someone might help me to find out the fate or whereabouts of my husband, Capt. A. M. Troyan, who was arrested by the Chinese authorities in Hankow in June, 1938 and I have had no news of him ever since nor do I know what was the cause of his arrest.

Here are a few facts about my husband prior to his disappearance. Former officer of the Russian Imperial Navy, for over fifteen years he was connected with the Chinese shipping companies along China coast, as a Captain in the different ships since 1925. His last ship was ss. Yung Heng of Messrs. Tai Chong Chiang Steamship Company which was on the Yangtze River at Hankow when the present war started and booms were thrown across the river. His ship, however, was making frequent trips carrying coal, Salt Gabelle shipments and accidentally being requisitioned to carry soldiers.

Later, the Shanghai office of Messrs. Tai Chong Chiang Steamship Co. decided to transfer their ships under the Portuguese flag and the ss. Yung Heng became ss. Douro of the Almeida Steamship Co. (December, 1937) and in official matters, himself a Chinese subject since 1932, had to deal through the Portuguese Consul in Hankow, Mr. A. T. Belchenko. Trusted and loyal man, I know, my husband never had any difficulties with his employers or with the Chinese authorities, faithfully carrying his duties with the ship. In July, 1938, he was to leave Hankow for Shanghai by air and had his berth already booked when he was asked to make two more trips on the Yangtze by his company. On the morning June 16, 1938, according to a Russian traveller, who visited my husband at the time (and later safely reached Shanghai)—the Chinese military police boarded the ship and arrested a certain Mr. Kudlaenko, who was my husband's guest on the ship. The policemen also detained my husband—as a witness, they said, without revealing any particular charge against him personally. Here my knowledge of my husband's future fate or whereabouts ends. All my enquiries, private or through influential foreign persons led to nothing, all authorities concerned were invariably reserved and said nothing at all.

I was expecting a child and my friends and relatives did their best to spare me hearing the wild rumours of my husband's disappearance with a number of other "White" Russians, and that he would be accused of espionage or traffic in narcotics, but having no news how could I remain long unapprehensive that something very tragic occurred to my husband and now, with my child born, I know the truth—but not all the truth. Where is my husband? Why was he arrested? Is he alive?—I cannot believe the rumours of his being shot by the military together with the rest of arrested White Russians—what for?

I realize how great is the Chinese national drama in the present war, what terrible losses are suffered by the Chinese people, whose hospitality and tolerance my husband and I enjoyed for so many years. I know that in a war there are sometimes innocent victims but why there is nothing to say to all my pleas about my husband? Are not we, myself and my baby child, entitled to know the truth? Can anyone help me to find it out?

MARIA TROYAN.

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

Pecheurs de Perles:

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To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—No reply seems to have been made to the letter written by DUBIOUS on Nov. 30, requesting information regarding the proceeds collected on the sale of tickets and advertisements for the above performance. There must be many in Shanghai who have contributed to this charity performance and who will be anxious to receive some news regarding their contributions. It is surprising that no statement appears to have been made in this connection and that no information is forthcoming either as to the date on which the performance is to take place, or as to the intentions of those responsible for its original organization.

ALSO DUBIOUS.

Shanghai, Dec. 5.

Who was Responsible?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In reply to a letter signed DUBIOUS, dated November 30, which appeared in your paper, we beg to supply some of the wanted information in order to prevent any misunderstanding that may arise during the course of our Operatic Season in which we might want to present the "Pecheurs de Perles," as some of the performers scheduled to take part in that Opera have now joined the Grand Opera de Shanghai, a newly-formed Company which shall comprise the best of the Shanghai's talent as well as star performers from Europe and elsewhere. The person, who we believe should have been responsible for the presentation scheduled for September 10, 1938, is Mrs. L. Chen, residing at 575 Rue Lafayette, Telephone 72074, who is entirely responsible for the whole matter because, there having been other enquiries, we approached Mrs. Maw, chairman of the Chinese Women's League, who informed us that the League was in no way responsible for intended presentation and that it has been arranged by Mrs. Chen personally.

Hoping that the above information will clarify to DUBIOUS the position of any new Operatic enterprise in Shanghai and the fate of his tickets.

L. G. LE BIGOT.
Grand Opera de Shanghai

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

The Buses:

Common Sense Urged

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Your leader in today's paper is very interesting and fair pleading for a little forbearance on behalf of the Bus Company from the Shanghai public. But there is another side to the bus question, common sense. Why do the drivers have so much liberty in making the running times of the buses? It happens many times a day at different stops that after a few crowded buses have attempted to find room for what passengers they can, another almost empty bus comes along and careers past without stopping. When inquiry is made as to why this is done, "Oh the driver is late" is the reply, never mind the public—there is no common sense in this.

When a breakdown of a bus occurs (this often happens) many times it is impossible owing to the crowded state of the oncoming buses for the passengers of the broken bus to find room. Why not when a breakdown happens send a special to the spot to relieve the congestion, this seems common sense.

I happened to be a passenger on a No. 2 yesterday afternoon from Szechuen Road to Amherst Avenue. Reaching St. George's an inspector boarded us and ordered the passengers (not politely asked) to alight as the bus was going no further. Naturally having been accepted as passengers to our destination beyond St. George's we refused. Many inspectors, both foreign and Chinese, then boarded us and took the same attitude. Afterwards a bus coolie was sent to tell us not to make any trouble as the inspectors might get rough—what did he mean? After a lot of argument and threats to take us to the police, a return to the Bund, etc., the company realized that Gt. Western Road is not the only one to Amherst Avenue, so our bus was sent via Avenue Haig and Edinburgh Road. The time taken to arrive at this decision was three-quarters of an hour, all this time lost and passengers tempers getting short only for lack of common sense. Nos. 1 and 9 were stopped also at St. Georges. Unless the passengers were firm in their attitude I suppose they lost out, as we would have done. You know, Sir, fair's fair anyway.

E. H. GARLAND.

Shanghai, Dec. 5.

Uneasy Europe:

British Policy Criticized

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—With your leaderette entitled "Uneasy Europe" in today's issue of the "North-China" few will quarrel. As you say, the Rome-Berlin axis is not yet contributing its share towards improvement of the present deplorable situation. In fact I should be very grateful if anyone would name any single contribution to peace made since its formation by any member of the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo axis. I should also be glad if either yourself or one of your readers would explain, in easily understandable terms, the precise meaning, if any, of the term "general appeasement," now said to represent the foreign policy of the British Government. In dealing with such an expression as "general surrender" one knows where one stands, and to my mind this latter term, while no doubt coarse in the delicate ears of the diplomatic fraternity, represents with simple clarity the foreign policy of, the British Government during the past seven years. But perhaps I miss the point.

One other small matter troubles my dreams, and here again a little instruction would be much appreciated. If, as is commonly believed, Great Britain's refusal to join France in defending Czechoslovakia was due to military weakness, why is no effort made to replace the persons in high position responsible for this weakness by others of greater ability? Or are politicians and their friends immune from the consequences of their folly?

NOT HOPEFUL.

Shanghai, Dec. 5.

Short-Wave Radio:

An Enthusiast's Complaint

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Recently I have spent quite a tidy sum in trying out several of the latest type receivers of both European and American make with the object of obtaining satisfactory short wave reception. Now I am the owner of a 10 Tube 1938 Model and I find reception excellent but much interference from local Chinese stations on the 30 metre Band. I do not think my set is defective as on all others I obtained only this interference and no programmes.

I admit my position is bad due to the large number of code stations operating within a few hundred yards, but this interference is not so annoying as the blastings from local-made defective equipment some of the Chinese stations are using, the effects being apparent all over the dial on all bands.

To a person who can understand Chinese the entertainment offered in some cases could be termed smutty and not fit for the normal-minded person to listen to, all to fill in programmes which continue for practically 24 hours daily.

Surely as they are public entertainers the owners could be brought under control, restricted to certain hours, so that we foreigners who prefer to listen in after 11 p.m., when foreign reception is best heard, can do so.

KEEN.

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

Wu Pei-fu's Refusal:

A Chinese Point of View

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The refusal of General Wu Pei-fu to join the puppet ranks as the "President of Federal Government" dealt a death blow to the Japanese scheme of "conquering China with the Chinese." In declining this much coveted position General Wu shines as a true Chinese scholar of the old school. He, being famed as a Hsiu-tsai, equivalent to a bachelor of art, puts to shame a few of the puppet officials whose literary attainments are supposedly much higher than General Wu, such as Mr. Liang Hung-chi, etc.

In view of the fact that General Wu is still an idol in the eyes of some of North China people the Japanese will not let matters pass without a second trial. Some say that there is a likelihood of Japanese kidnapping him, like Gen. Doihara did to Henry Pu Yi, and forcing him to accept the "Presidency." Such an attempt will only tend to besmear his good character but will not help the Japanese cause in the least bit. It is therefore high time for the Japanese to wake up to the futility of their foolhardy adventure and sue for peace before their military machine goes down to pieces.

I. S. T.

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

BY SAPAJOU

Mr. Reginald Sweetland

Far Eastern Correspondent of the "Chicago Daily News," who is shortly returning to Chicago.

In the Russian Colony

BY "STORY"

Russians in Shanghai are well aware of their numerical strength but seldom discuss and still more seldom ruminate upon whether they have made use of their numbers to further their interests to the fullest extent. Before the Revolution, when the local Russian colony was small in the extreme Russians enjoyed the same rights and privileges as the English, French and Americans; after that holocaust, when their numbers swelled with such rapidity, all rights of extraterritoriality were taken away from them. True, up to the year 1927 Russians continued to have a voice in the election of councillors of the French Concession and controlled a good half of the votes, but at that juncture M. P. E. Naggiar, the newly-appointed French Ambassador to Moscow and then the Consul-General in Shanghai, changed the system of elections due to the approach of the Canton Revolutionary Army and Russians lost their last rights in Shanghai. True, they have yet the hope that should the constitution drafted out for Shanghai by Judge Feetham ever be put into effect, they will once again enjoy equal rights to all other Shanghailanders. But at present their circumscribed privileges and prospects are a subject about which they feel keenly and discuss hardly ever.

Russian Unity

Theoretically they realize that were they unified to the degree that, say, the Jews or the Japanese manage to be unified, they would win for themselves much that they at present lack—even with their state of jurisdictional poverty. But knowing that their present disunion may last for many a day to come they confine themselves to conjectures—more joking than serious—as to what they would be able to achieve in Shanghai should they present a united front 25,000 strong.

Such a question was raised recently in one of their newspapers. The author of the article propounded the whimsical view that if Russians in Shanghai suddenly decided to talk only in their own tongue, unemployment among them would be quickly eradicated. Fifteen years ago, in foreign banks and stores, there was no one speaking Russian. Today many have Russian employees, and numerous advertisements in the Russian press promise readers that "Russian is spoken at our Bank."

This seems to prove that the purchasing power of the Russian colony is steadily rising. Russians form a large percentage of cinema audiences. They support the Russian Theatre, Operetta and even the Ballet. Large numbers throng to the Municipal Orchestra Concerts. Without them several of these enterprises would never be able to cover overhead expenses and would rapidly pass out of existence.

The Russian public is not so evident in banks and stores as a good part of it speaks English. But should Russians when they make any purchase or give any firm a chance to make money make it a point to speak only Russian, the number of Russian employees of these firms would increase to such a degree that unemployment in the colony would be radically curtailed or eradicated altogether. If it be remembered that Russians form a good half of the foreign population of Shanghai, it will be evident, that this half-joking suggestion that Russians in Shanghai speak only in their own tongue bears a note of seriousness.

Cheap Living

It must be admitted that one of the characteristics of the local Russian colony is its ability to live according to European standards and yet at an expense so small that it never ceased to surprise foreigners. Before Russians came to Shanghai and brought their restaurants with them, for instance, Shanghai never knew of eating establishments where a meal necessitated such a small outlay of capital. Today this flair for living well but twice or ever three or four times as cheaply as Britishers, Americans and Frenchmen is being acquired by German and Austrian refugees whose numbers in Shanghai are daily swelling and who are following the Russian plan by living in Russian boarding-houses, eating in Russian restaurants, drinking coffee in Russian cafes, having haircuts in Russian barber-shops and receiving medical help from Russian doctors. One of the phenomena of this wonderland of low prices that is the Russian Colony is the cost of yesterday's bread and sweetmeats. Bread 24 hours old, which, incidentally, doctors say is more beneficial to health than the fresh variety, can be bought for 8 cents a pound. Buns can be bought for 3 instead of for 5 cents, cakes cost 5 cents each, chocolates are sold for 80 cents instead of for $1.40 a pound, and biscuits ordinarily costing $1.00 are sold for 50 cents. On the whole the price is cut by 50 per cent. These prices are especially popular among children, who often stop at confectioneries on their way to school. The largest percentage of the buyers is Russian. Jewish emigres and Jews in general follow, and of late other foreigners too have learned that much can be bought in the Russian colony at prices that are lower than anywhere else in Shanghai.

Life in Iran

The first Russian family to arrive here from Iran as a result of the repressive laws against emigres passed recently by the Iranian government is that of Mr. Schukin, who tells of the life of Russians in that country. After the revolution several thousand Russian refugees settled in that country. During the last ten years Iranian cities have experienced a building boom, and many Russians found employment in architectural concerns, though many others opened stores and workshops. All this time, it is true, the educational facilities for Russian children were in a sad state; children of well-to-do parents study in French schools, as there are no Russian schools anywhere. (There is, in fact, only one Russian church.) Last year Russians were told by the government to leave the cities for the interior; and as agriculture in Iran can offer nothing but an extremely meagre living, the only remaining course of action was to leave the country—especially as Russian specialists were denied the right to work in their profession. The thoughts of most Russian emigres in Iran today turn towards the Far East, and the family of Mr. Schukin are, according to him, the first to reach Shanghai. More Russians whose existence in Iran has become impossible due to the strong native competition with foreigners which is aided by the government, are expected to arrive here shortly.

New Religion

A recent letter to the Editor of the N.C.D.N. on the New Religion and its Prophecies has attracted considerable attention among Russians—all the more so as it was not difficult for them to guess who it was hiding behind the initials L.V.G. Special interest was created by the prediction of a revolution in Russia in the year 1939, and of a momentous event that is to occur in Moscow before the end of the month. All these auguries were translated by the Russian press, whose readers have settled down to a three weeks' wait before one prediction at any rate is due to come true.

The necessity to conform to the regulations of the Japanese authorities regarding the transportation of property in districts under their occupation has been stressed by the Russian Emigrants' Committee. As many chauffeurs with no passes have been halted, the Emigrants' Committee advises owners of automobiles who take on the transportation of goods to first make sure that the necessary pass has been procured. The responsibility for breaking the regulations is borne not by employees or people happening to be in the automobile, but by the actual owners. The Emigrants' Committee warns that it can give no help to parties who disregard this notice.

Encouraged by the success of "Don Quixote," the Russian Ballet will shortly present the famous "Swan Lake." It was this triumph of the musical genius of Tchaikowski that opened the last ballet season in London. The ballet will be presented locally according to the full musical text of pre-war days which has been treasured through the years by Maestro A. J. Sloutsky. The ballet's libretto is written by the composer's brother, Modeste Tchaikowski, and the direction will be in the hands of Ballet master F. F. Schevlugin, who often appeared in this ballet in pre-revolutionary Russia.

A TOUR of inspection in Japan is being organized by members of the "Reformed" and "Provisional" governments to take place some time during the latter part of this month, says the "Chinese American Daily News." "Chinese people's representatives" will be carefully selected from the pro-Japanese district governments in the occupied areas to make up the party and a sum of $50,000 is being defrayed by the two governments for travelling expenses.

Sixty Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF DECEMBER 7, 1878

From Foochow:—Now that the weather is getting bracing, life and energy appear to be kindling in the breasts of our local sports. A northeaster perhaps causes a man to utter short emphatic sentences anent things horsey as well as spiritual. At all events, the current conversation in bachelor circles is drifting that way and mysterious allusions to "dark" Mongolian steeds remind us that the annual turf gathering is rapidly approaching. The programme is an excellent one, and should attract larger fields than seen at present probable. From the Tartar Camp we hear that the course is "hard as nails," and that several "mokes" have been "screwed-up", through injudicious "powing." A cricket match, first v. second half of the alphabet, has been played. The latter won an easy victory, in one innings. The "Herald," in its commercial summary of November 28, says a few trifling transactions in Congou, Souchong and Oolong are reported at about last week's rates. Arrivals from the country have nearly ceased. A distinct shock of earthquake was experienced throughout Foochow at about 3.45 a.m. on November 23. The movement lasted about 40 seconds, and appeared to come from a north-westerly direction.

OUTER Mongolia, says "the Sin Wan Pao," can amass some 500,000 trained troops and an air force of 500 'planes in the event of her aiding China against Japan. In this connection, the message adds, Outer Mongolian troops and the air force will join up with the forces commanded by General Wei Li-huang in western Shansi, and those under the command of General Chu Teh, in Wutai.

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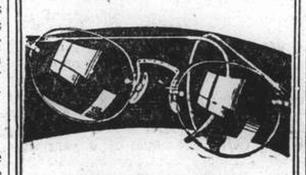

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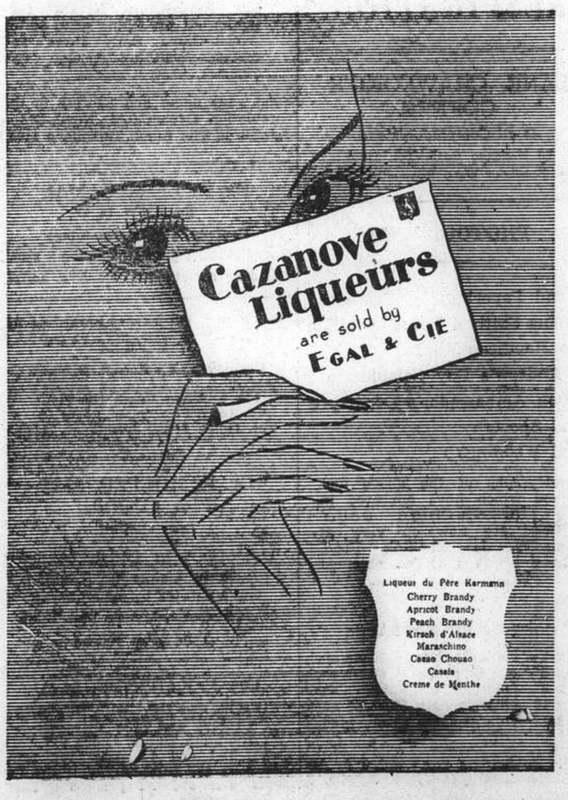

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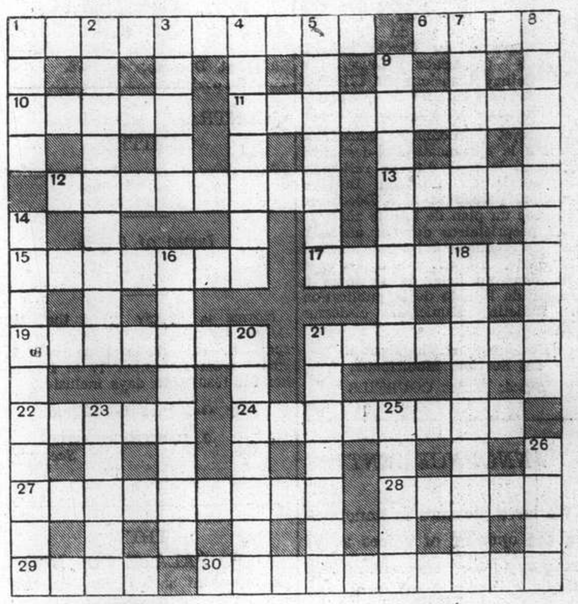

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1 This well-known lad tackled his meal from an unusual angle (two words)
6 Food for a husky horse?
10 A plant defence is mostly an animal defence
11 A weapon it is a pleasure to be wounded with (two words)
12 Change eel to rat
13 We now know that its people are not "yellow"
15 Cover for a fighter
17 Put metal for most of the surroundings
19 The lady's relations are mostly what's pickled
21 Rhythm
22 Wilt
24 A big overhead expense for every nation these days (two words)
27 Abolition
28 Part of 27 across
29 A change may bring about a cure
30 No doubt a quality of the child who is the picture of health and has a good frame

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1 Most of this fibre appears to stick out
2 This reptile has swallowed a fish
3 Much may turn on this
4 "I'm clear" (anag.)
5 Urgent
7 A cleric
8 Die-hard description of anything modern
9 Schooled to certain standards, one might say
14 A rodent imprisoned in slang is good to eat (two words)
16 This growth is not the acorn's natural brother
18 Retain this and you cannot go wrong
20 The kind of shelter to make for in a storm
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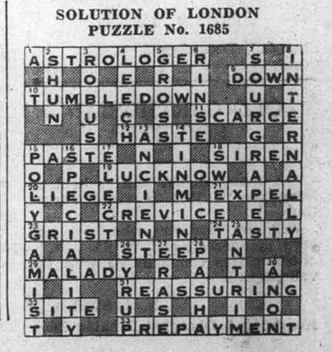

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Australian Letter

Nation Demands Leadership

Prime Minister Urged to Resign; Air Tragedy Affords Short Respite

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, Oct. 28.

In the spring Australians apply themselves to the baffling problem of picking the winner of that great turf classic, the Melbourne Cup, which is to be run next week.

In the last month, however, at least equal interest has been shown in the selection of a successor to the Prime Minister, Mr. Lyons, for the impression has steadily gained ground that the leadership, or lack of leadership, of Mr. Lyons is becoming a national liability.

The wave of speculation regarding his replacement has been whipped up by the Press, even Party papers that slavishly support the Government publicising the claims of possible candidates for office, but the revulsion of public opinion against the Prime Minister is essentially spontaneous and profound. The Press campaign is really an attempt to ensure that Mr. Lyons falls alone, and does not involve the Government Parties in his loss of popularity.

Public opinion has reacted most unfavourably to the Ministry's policy and procedure during the recent international crisis. During those anxious days, Mr. Lyons elected to play a lone hand, taking neither the people nor Parliament into his confidence. This may have been desirable, even unavoidable, but was distinctly unpopular.

Autocratic Methods Undesirable

Australians expect national policy to be framed by Parliament. Autocratic methods are not acceptable to them in any circumstances, and Mr. Lyons with his amiable and kindly disposition is not, for all his political acumen, cast in the dictatorial mould.

During the crisis people became aware of many things which had hitherto passed almost unnoticed. Quite suddenly they recalled that during the political stir caused by the resignation of the British Foreign Secretary some months ago Mr. Lyons had kept Parliament in recess, and stifled all formal discussion of national policy. They recalled that Mr. Lyons and certain of his Cabinet colleagues had spent a great deal of time abroad last year while important legislation languished, and they remembered that the Prime Minister had broken his promise to the Opposition to afford an opportunity for full debate on policy before the last Imperial Conference, where it is believed that Mr. Lyons advanced a policy as the nation's without a mandate from either Parliament or the electorate.

National Defence Policy

With a universal demand for the strengthening of the national defence system, the Prime Minister summoned a conference of State Premiers to discuss collaboration in developing industries of a military importance. The conference ended in futility, the Premiers declaring that Mr. Lyons had no concrete plan to be discussed.

Press and public insistently demanded leadership of a more positive kind. The Premier of New South Wales, Mr. Stevens, has been urged to enter Federal politics, where his vigour and efficiency are needed. The Attorney-General, Mr. Menzies, is clearly pressing his claims as Mr. Lyons' successor, and it is believed that Mr. Lyons is disposed to support him.

The one man who could command confidence and who possesses the necessary qualities for leadership at the preset juncture is the Labour Leader, Mr. Curtin, but the Labour Party is in Opposition, and prefers to abide a reversal of public opinion complete enough to place it in office with a substantial majority.

Threat Eliminated

Mr. Curtin's patience, and the jealousy that exists between Mr. Menzies and Mr. Stevens, leave Mr. Lyons in a fairly safe position for the present. The immediate threat to his authority has been tragically eliminated. Within the Government Party is a group of able younger men who have been pressing for more virile leadership than Mr. Lyons has been able to provide.

Their unofficial leader, and a possible candidate for the Prime Ministership, Mr. Hawker, was killed this week in the worst disaster in Australian aviation, when an airliner crashed into a hillside in a fog and eighteen passengers were burnt to death. The shock of Mr. Hawker's death seems to have produced a temporary truce in the Government ranks.

Severe Drought Results

Victorian wheat farmers are facing one of the worst droughts in the history of the State. The past two winters have been exceptionally dry, and the failure of spring rains has resulted in the total loss of crops in many areas and a poor harvest in others.

Until recently the drought extended over a large part of New South Wales. Sydney was threatened with failure of the metropolitan water supply, and in the Riverina stock was dying on the dried up pastures. There splendid rains have relieved the position at the eleventh hour, but in the Victorian wheatlands rain now would be too late to be of any use.

In the Mallee and Wimmera farmers have turned stock on to feed on the blighted crops, which will not even provide seed for next year's sowing, and the Government is hastily passing legislation to afford relief to the farmers to prevent them being driven off their holdings. Over the whole State, the rainfall this season is the lowest recorded since the devastating drought of 1914, and the normally dry months of summer lie ahead.

Strange birds are not popular among the feathered world. Thus, after years of captivity, a snowy headed eagle, a native of the Andes Mountains, escaped from its cage at the Zoo at the Southend Kursaal recently. The bird flew out over the sea and was attacked by a huge flock of seagulls, which forced it down into the sea. Attendants went out in a boat, but to their surprise the bird took off from the water and was attacked again. This time they forced it down on to a barge. It was captured and put in a sack. The eagle had not flown for years and apparently its wings were too weak to hold it in the air.

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Nurses of the Queen Alexandra Imperial Nursing Service place a cross on the Field of Remembrance immediately after its dedication by the Dean of Westminster on Armistice Day.

A First Visit to America

Impressions of a Stranger in the Laconia, of Boston and New York; Historic Lexington

BY W. LEWISOHN

Nearing the end of his long leave, Mr. W. Lewisohn, Peiping correspondent of the "North-China Daily News," spent three weeks in travel through the United States. He has summed up his impressions of the Republic in a series of articles, the second of which will appear in an early issue.

"YOU are not going to write another book about America, I hope," said a very charming American lady at whose table I was sitting during the crossing of the Atlantic, when she heard that I was visiting the States for the first time and intended to spend three weeks there. The word "another" did not, of course, refer to any previous book of mine on the subject, but to the large volume of literature by persons who have paid short visits to the United States.

It is not, I gather, that the Americans are more touchy than the rest of us, but they are surprised and hurt to find foreigners admiring them for things to which they themselves attach no particular importance and criticizing others of which they happen to be proud.

The same desire for literary reticence on my part was expressed by two other persons whose chance acquaintance I made during my travels. I was only too glad to be able to reassure them by promising faithfully that I would not write any such book, and I hope that the following rough sketches of my first and entirely personal impressions of America will not be held to be any breach of such promise. The more so, as I have no intention of discussing any of the political, social or economic questions that are worrying America so much these days.

I must, however, mention, without entering into details, two topics that were discussed by every American I talked to. The one was President Roosevelt. Prosperous-looking, stoutish gentlemen, in tailor-made suits, obviously businessmen, and aged, much-bejewelled spinsters spoke of the President as if he were Satan himself; while porters, taxi-drivers, brakemen and clerks in stores seemed to think him a pretty good fellow who was trying to do something for the underdog. After a very short time I became quite expert in judging my informant's social status and income from his or her estimate of the President, which seemed to vary in direct ratio to the size of that person's income.

The other topic was the British-French betrayal of Czechoslovakia. Some thought we had made a mistake, as the U.S.A. would have been bound to have come to our assistance in the end, others that they could have kept out, but all were unanimous in their condemnation of us for having let down the Czechs. And that is all I am going to say about politics.

Tourist Class Popular

I crossed the Atlantic from Liverpool to Boston on the Cunarder Laconia, an old, slow, but very steady boat. I came tourist class. For nowadays, of course, we have done with snobbery, and there are no such unpleasant distinctions as between first and second-class: they have been renamed cabin and tourist; and we of the latter felt very proud, all the more as the proletariat still travel third.

There were, however, stern notices up everywhere warning the lower orders against trespassing on the territory of their richer and better fellow-passengers. Some of the latter used of an evening to come and sit in our cosy smoking-room, because, as I was given to understand, they found the select and rarefied atmosphere of their own somewhat tiresome. Nor were we honoured with the presence of any of the ship's officers who confined their attentions to the superior class.

I was very comfortable and cosy in the tourist class. I shared a large four-berth cabin with one other man, a pleasant, serious-minded old gentleman, an Irish-American who had been back to visit his home for the first time after 30 years. He was a devout Catholic who on rising and going to bed used to kneel at the side of his berth and say his prayers, and whose table was covered with small images of the saints. We did not see very much of one another, as he was usually asleep when I came down to bed and got up long before I was awake.

From the little conversation we had together, he struck me as a most remarkable person, for he was one of the few people I have ever met with in the course of my life who had been completely happy in his profession and would have chosen it again if he had had to live his life a second time. Many readers, I expect, will be wondering what he could have been. Well, he was obviously not a millionaire nor a movie star. He was, in fact, nothing more nor less than a retired rural delivery postman of New Jersey.

Excellent Food

The food on this Cunarder was very good, much better, I imagine, than most of us ordinarily got in our own homes. This doubtless accounted for the fact that so many of the passengers used to go religiously right through the whole bill of fare, that is to say except on the days, when the sea was rough. There was a skilful blending of American and English customs: at each meal grapefruit, tomato juice and similar American favourites were provided, while a proper English tea was served every afternoon.

Apart from deck sports, as they are somewhat over-ratedly called, the amusements provided were of a simple kind. Horse-racing, a giant form of minaroo, provided an occasional flutter in the evening, as also a game called keno or bingo, which in my childhood days I used to know as lotto, and in the Army as house.

The approach to Boston is unimposing, and the Passport and Customs examination there a lengthy, though otherwise innocuous, business. The latter struck me as both a waste of time and energy. Instead of having your luggage deposited in front of waiting Customs officers, as is done in England and on the Continent, we passengers had to queue up with our baggage certificates, and each of us in turn was then allotted a special officer who marched with us across the shed to inspect the luggage.

I was somewhat disappointed with Boston, but this may be attributed to the weather, for it rained hard all the time I was there. Lexington and Concord, on the other hand, I found very pleasing, as they have an air of antiquity and historical interest such as I never came across in the States again. On Lexington Green stands a large rock inscribed with the words spoken by Captain Parker just before the first shots were fired that started the American Revolution and were to alter the course of history: "Stand your ground. Don't fire unless fired upon, but if they mean to have a war let it begin here."

Reading those words (On September 20, 1938) and remembering what was happening in Europe at that moment, one could not help wondering, whether it was fortunate or unfortunate for the world, that those American farmers did not hold "peace at any price" views and thought their liberty worth fighting for.

As we left the Wayside Inn, famous for its associations with Longfellow, a tremendous storm of wind and rain got up. The papers afterwards called it a hurricane and said it had a velocity of 90 m.p.h. Well, it certainly had not that, and I have been in much worse typhoons in South China. But the drive back in our car was sufficiently difficult, with trees fallen across the road and live electric wires everywhere. When we reached Boston late in the evening, the streets were still covered with glass from windows that had been blown in.

To my annoyance, I found that no trains were running to New York, nor was there any likelihood of their doing so for several days. So after spending another day in Boston I decided to go round on a coastal steamship that had berths for about 200 and carried 400 passengers, so that more than half of us had to sit up all night. Nor would the railway company refund me my rail fare between Boston and New York, which seemed to me unreasonable.

Individuality of Skyscrapers

I confess that I took a strong dislike to New York. It has, no doubt, a very fine skyline, and its skyscrapers are very impressive. But these seemed to me the only features that give the city any individuality at all. And even that is spoiled by the contrast of coming out of these palatial structures with their wonderful internal decorations, into some narrow, congested and very untidy street. But what I found so confusing and disappointing was the tremendous mixture of races one sees and the variety of languages one hears all round. Disappointing, because one might be in half a dozen different parts of the earth rather than on the American continent. Americans—even New Yorkers themselves—will solemnly tell you that "New York is not America." They are very emphatic about this.

But is it quite true? Is New York not America? For one of the things that struck me most during my travels everywhere in the States is this mixture of different and so far apparently unabsorbed races. The saying "New York is not America" I should be inclined to amend to "New York is a burlesque of America." And that, no doubt, explains why so many Americans do not care for New York either.

Many Changes in Yunnanfu

Construction Activities Alter City's Skyline; Good Aeroplane Service

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Yunnanfu, Nov. 9.

The change which has come over this heretofore isolated city and province within a year is almost inconceivable. Visited by comparatively few in the past, and avoided by most people who could do so, it is now the one comparatively easy door to the vast hinterland which is still in unoccupied China. As one visitor said the other day, "To come to Kunming now is just ordinary diet, while before it was considered a supreme effort."

Dialects from every province of China are spoken daily on the streets. New hotels have sprung up, from the simplest inn to the pretentious and expensive Hotel du Lac. The Hotel du Commerce is now operated by the China Travel Service. This travel agency is also established at the important points on the route into Yunnan and Szechuen, rendering its usual efficient and friendly help to those who are newly arriving.

One hears of the new industrial projects—factories that have been compelled to move are setting up here. Some are already in operation.

Building activities are on every hand. Incidentally construction costs, as all items of expenditure, have soared to twice the level of a year ago, or higher. The demand for houses has brought a regular "boom" in the real estate market. New edifices or remodeled quarters for all the principal banks of China are among the most noticeable additions to the skyline of old Yunnanfu.

Travel by Plane and Car

Travel between Yunnan and Szechuen has greatly increased. The quickest and most comfortable method is by air. Several trips per week are made by the Eurasia to Chengtu, and the China National Aviation Corporation to Chungking. Bus service, via Kweiyang, is however accountable for most of the stream of travel. The buses operated by the Ministry of Communications are quite dependable and keep close to time schedules. It requires about a week from here to Chungking by motor travel, unless small cars can be found, when the time is cut down materially.

About eight or ten delegates to the International Missionary Conference, to be held in Madras, India, the latter half of December, have flown from Chengtu to Kunming en route to that important gathering.

Military Activity Near Tungchow

Port of Kowan Supplies Japanese; Crops Modified For Shanghai Market

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Nantungchow, Ku., Nov. 27.

Though the greater part of the hsien is in Chinese hands the highway from the Japanese base at Tungchow to the city Jukao is largely controlled by the Japanese. Any attacks by Chinese guerillas is met with retaliation. Certain towns along the main canal from Nantungchow to Jukao are virtually ruined and the population has moved off the highway of traffic to the more peaceful country side.

The towns of Suantien and Tingyen have been hard hit. Other equally important towns but further away from the highway have escaped Japanese attention. Formerly unimportant towns and villages have now sprung up into great prominence, due to the migration of the merchants and shopkeepers from the cities to these inland and more obscure places.

The river ports are constantly shifting. It is remarkable how quickly new accommodations to meet river trade spring up on the north side of the river bank. Once Tiensenkang nourished, then Sinsengang had its rise and decline now other little river openings serve as outlets of trade for the vast regions within.

Produce for Shanghai

Throughout all the disturbances in the Kiangpoh region, it has remained up to the present, the great place of plenty upon which Shanghai depends for its eggs, pork, vegetables, chicken, sweet potatoes and the like.

Some ports as Kowan are supplying the Japanese traders, while other small ports supply British, American, German, Italian and Portuguese merchant vessels with cargoes.

The crops this year are excellent having been modified largely to meet Shanghai markets rather than foreign shipping. Cotton has greatly decreased and vegetables and foodstuffs increased.

The repeated battles that take place between the Japanese and Chinese do not exert much influence on the acreage under cultivation. Shirmishes usually take place in the smaller towns and do not extend to the farms as such.

Recently severe fighting was reported about 20 li northwest of Jukao city. At Huangchiao, it is reported the Japanese were driven back by the Chinese. Repeated skirmishes have taken place to the north and northeast of Jukao city. Roads have been torn up and canals are now the only means for uninterrupted travel. Wheelbarrows are again busy and the trip from the interior to the river bank is made by these two means. No autos and rickshaws are left.

Missionaries Active

A group of foreigners are still in these areas. A few German traders buy up various kinds of produce and missionaries travel back and forth. At Nantungchow Miss Mushrush is still carrying on some medicial relief work, in the greatly demolished premises of the Christian Mission. The Christian Reformed Church Mission Hospital in the city and the once flourishing leper clinic beside it are now closed. The Chinese hospitals in the city are also closed and have moved to points of safety inland. A small medical work carried on in Mission premises outside of the city by a Chinese doctor and a few student nurses. The hospital at Taichow has been reopened by its former Chinese doctor and a skeleton staff of nurses.

Although this city has never been occupied by Japanese soldiers, it, too, has suffered from the chaos in which the country generally has been thrown, owing to the proximity to Japanese occupied areas and its broken routes of communication.

Hsuchowfu Hospitals Open

There are several foreign missionaries still north of the Yangtze in Taichow, Hwaian, Tsungkiangpu, Sutsien and Yangchow. Hsuchowfu's missionary hospitals have kept open all through the terrible times linked up with the fall of that city into the hands of the Japanese.

It is interesting to learn that the grave of the Hua To, Chinese father of surgery, remained untouched by the fire and sword during these hectic days. Outside of the city the shrine of China's most famous surgeon, who is worshipped in hundreds of temples in China and inside of the city two medical missionary hospitals remained intact.

Yellow River Dyke Being Repaired

Admiral Shen Hung-lieh Raises $30,000; More Relief Work

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Chowtsun, Sung, Nov. 24.

A recent journey 50 miles north of Chowtsun in the Yellow River area has provided news. The break in the south bank which occurred in August 1937 at last is being repaired. According to information Admiral Shen Hung-lieh is raising $30,000 the remaining $20,000 required being gathered from the five hsiens chiefly affected.

The ceremony of beginning the work was held on November 19, and it is anticipated that it will be finished in two months. The English Baptist Mission is helping in medical and welfare work amongst the labourers. The river has shrunk to almost nothing, and it was a new experience to cross most of the way on a bicycle.

The guards at Putai city and Peichen seem to be of a better type. Those who were there before beat a hasty retreat by night, after much looting. Guerillas, irregular troops, bandits and even red spears, are represented in the districts bordering on the river banks.

Cold winds, frost and ice, having introduced winter, the last remaining leaves and twigs are being laboriously and conscientiously gathered by all members of the family, children doing a good share. Coal is much dearer, and many tiny stoves will have to be unlit this winter.

A joint committee of missionaries and Chinese church leaders in this part of Shantung are engaged in promoting many forms of relief work. At Peichen a refugee camp of 300 is in operation. Chowtsun has a group of 106 children being taught, fed and clothed, and also plans a soup kitchen aided by a generous grant from the Lord Mayor's China Fund, much help has been given to the innocent victims of burnt villages in the Chihchuan and Poshan hsiens. Soup kitchens are also to be carried on in Tsinan and Tsungchowfu during the extreme cold.

In the midst of so much suffering there are to be found stray gleams of the gentle humour with which China is so well stocked. A man was recently told how to hide valuables. First dig down as low as you can and put your box of very special goods well out of sight. Heap on top some layers of earth then nearer the surface put a box well filled with things of less value, including a good supply of copper cash.

In the endeavour not to appear too young in these days, a moustache, side whisker, or beard which could be grown overnight by the use of a hair restorer would soon be popular, and the producer of such a hair restorer would quickly get rich.

FUKIENESE Chinese now in British Malaya, says the "Wen Wei Pao," remitted a total sum of $12,000,000 in Chinese national currency to their native province for relief purposes during the period August to November last. Remittances, which are being sent via Hongkong, are still forthcoming and are expected to total $20,000,000 by the end of the year.

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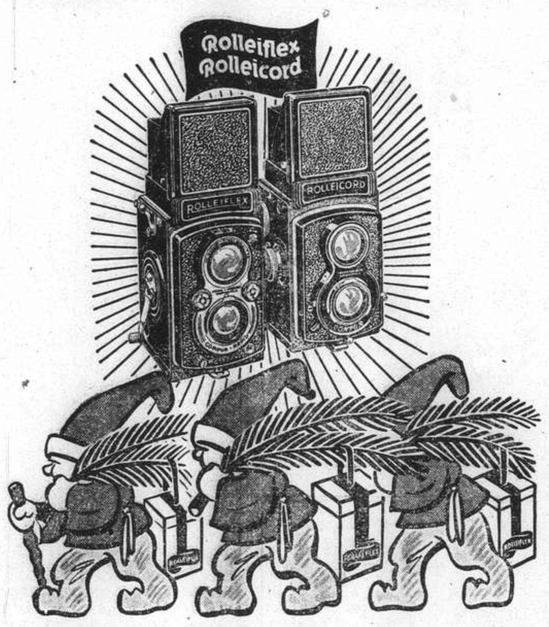

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TSINGTAO SHIPPING

That conditions in China are being kept continually before the House of Commons and the Government is one of the bright spots in a very gloomy picture, and while it appears that there is not much headway being made, it is satisfactory, as far as it goes, to know that Parliament is well apprised of the existing state of affairs. In another column today appears the account of questions and answers given in the House of Commons with regard to the position of British shipping in Tsingtao and the discrimination which is being employed against it. It will be remembered that when the Japanese captured Tsingtao they immediately closed the wharves to foreign shipping on the score that they were wanted for military purposes. That was probably correct at the time, and for a somewhat lengthy period afterwards. Indeed the wharves were used for handling troops and war material, but that has long since ceased to be the case, and though at times most of the wharves are lying idle the Japanese authorities in the northern port are adamant in their refusal to permit their being used by neutral shipping, which has to run all the risks of loading and unloading in all sorts of weather in the open back bay. There have been occasions recently when weather conditions have forced the vessels to proceed on their way carrying cargo for Tsingtao beyond its destination. It has been reported that the Japanese Army authorities have now no objection to the harbour facilities being used by foreign shipping, and it is the Navy which is holding out. The story of this particular matter is not without its points of interest. One of the first things done after the occupation of the port was to create a Lighter & Transport Co., for the purpose of establishing a monopoly for handling cargo. Obviously that intention would be spoiled if shipping were allowed to load and unload at the wharves, and in order to provide the necessary work for the new company the existing ban was devised. Foreign shipping has to discharge into lighters while exorbitant charges were and are still being made for the service and for the use of the Naval Pier. Despite the fact that never in its history has Tsingtao's trade been so bad, it is reported that for five months earlier in the year this Lighter & Transport Co. made a profit of no less than $250,000.

The charges for handling cargo between ship and shore is reported to be as much as the freight from Shanghai to Tsingtao, and to have ranged from $4.50 to $8 a ton, the owners of the lighters receiving no more than $1.70 a ton. It is presumed that the rest of the money went into the coffers of the company, and is consequently responsible for the huge profit which it is reported has been made. At the end of July, and beginning of August formal protests against these high charges were duly made, but it was not until October that the Japanese authorities replied to the effect that the charges were fixed at such rates as were considered reasonable, in view of the conditions prevailing, and that it was difficult to see why such rates should be considered excessive. It was further claimed that the same rates were charged irrespective of the nationality of the owner of the cargo, and hence there could be no question of undue discrimination. It is probably true that all foreign cargo is paying similar charges, but the discrimination lies in the fact that Japanese vessels are permitted to make use of the wharves to the exclusion of others. The statements made in the House of Commons on Monday in connection with the matter indicate that representations have been made to the Japanese authorities in China as well as to the Government in Tokyo, and Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, informed the House that the Japanese naval authorities at Tsingtao have undertaken, if conditions permit, to arrange matters satisfactorily as soon as possible. That conditions do permit is evidenced by the fact that the Japanese Army, most closely concerned with the use of the wharves, no longer has any objection to their being thrown open to neutral shipping. There is consequently no valid reason why foreign shipping visiting Tsingtao should be denied those facilities which the port provides, unless there is more than a little ground for the suggestion made by Sir Walter Smiles, Conservative member for Blackburn, that subordinate naval officials are making huge profits out of these compulsory lighterage charges.

There are slight signs that some improvement will be effected in the comparatively near future. Tsingtao, the only port in China where the Japanese have complete control has been the scene of experiment with the various schemes which the Japanese have had in mind. They have for the most part proved failures. Despite the fact that the Japanese had complete control of the banking, import and export trade, instead of making Tsingtao a large commercial centre, which undoubtedly was in the minds of the Japanese, the control which has been enforced has resulted in the trade being driven from Tsingtao to Tientsin, and it is obvious that, if Tsingtao is to regain its former eminence as a trading centre not only will the present controls have to be done away with, but conditions approximating those prevailing prior to the outbreak of hostilities will have to be restored. But whether the fact that they are killing the golden-egg-laying goose is actually by now borne in upon the Japanese authorities or not, it is clear that that is what is happening, and the restrictions which have been placed upon trade have led to its going elsewhere. The dog-in-the-manger attitude of the Japanese Naval authorities in Tsingtao is evidenced by the fact that on one day in the early part of November out of 23 berths in the Great Harbour nine only were occupied by Japanese ships, one of which appeared to be a transport, while another was loading peanut oil in bulk for New York. Despite the fact that there were no fewer than fourteen empty berths an application by a foreign vessel to be allowed to go alongside was refused, and, owing to bad weather lasting the three days of her stay in port, she was ultimately forced to leave without taking on board a cargo of eggs for Hamburg. It will be seen, therefore, that by means of discrimination such as this, and the imposition of exorbitant, and wholly unnecessary lighterage charges foreign shipping it being unduly penalized. For this reason it is to be hoped that the British Government will not be gulled by gentle assurances which have already been given. There is no military necessity which causes the denial of ordinary shipping facilities to neutral vessels, and it is to take liberties with the truth to suggest that there is.

Developing West China

Since the Japanese occupation of Canton and Hankow, there has been a period of comparative quiescence in the Sino-Japanese hostilities. This is due to one of two causes. Either General Chiang Kai-shek's forces have suffered so decisive a defeat that further resistance is impossible, or under tremendous military pressure, the Chinese forces found it impossible to hold the positions which were the objectives of the latest Japanese drive and have retired to regions west of Hankow where it is possible to reorganize the army and develop that part of the country to maintain a form of indefinite resistance. Abundant evidence inclines to the latter view of the present and future aspects of the situation. General Chiang has kept up the national spirit by repeatedly enunciating the policy of withdrawal to enmesh the Japanese in further difficulties into China's vast interior and thereby exhaust their strength. The Japanese, however, are military realists and have shown no desire to rush headlong into eventual disaster. They are content at present to hold the territory they occupy and exploit it through a series of controlled governments and economic schemes which will more effectively suit their ends. Future military operations against General Chiang, who is striving to keep his army and administration intact, are dependent on developments. Nevertheless, the advantages of the withdrawal policy are becoming obvious. By developing West China, General Chiang will be able to maintain his power, however reduced by fifteen months of war and the loss of practically all of China's developed economic structure. As long as he remains in this position and is able to concentrate on the territory which he controls, he cannot by any stretch of imagination be said to have been defeated. Nor can it be said that his resources are reaching exhaustion. War-time necessities have directed attention to one of the richest parts of China and are accelerating long retarded development. A London telegram mentions large purchases of material and supplies for this purpose, and plans for a railway to parallel the new Burma-Yunnan highway, which is already beginning to demonstrate its value as a supply route, are all indications of the possibility of creating a new economic empire outside the zone of Japanese control capable of maintaining a strong and vigorous opposition. If these plans are successful—and there is no reason why they should not be—the Sino-Japanese hostilities will demonstrably prove the impossibility of complete military conquest of a vast country richly endowed with natural resources. Of course, there are political factors which cannot be underestimated and tendencies in Chinese thought which will transform accepted ideas, but China's resurgence in the west may introduce a new conception of the limits of finality as laid down by the military text book.

A Healthier Britain

Year by year the British people is steadily gaining in national health, and the annual reports from the Chief Medical Officer of the Ministry of Health invariably indicate progress of which a great country may well be proud. The latest issue which has just been published gives an interesting comparison between conditions a century ago, when diseases "rioted uncontrolled throughout England," and those of present times, when ceaseless vigilance and medical and public health measures have completely stamped out certain diseases, while others have been reduced both in incidence and virulence, and the chances of persons living to become over 60 years of age have improved 38 per cent. for men and those for women 43 per cent. Perhaps the most striking example of what can be achieved in the combating of one special disease within a short span of years is found in the figures dealing with tuberculosis. By measures taken for the avoidance of infection, by improved housing, nutrition, and hygiene, and by public clinics set up for treatment of this specific disease, the incidence of deaths from tuberculosis in Great Britain during the year 1937 was only half the yearly average for the ten years 1910 to 1920. Other notable facts recorded are that the maternal mortality during the year was the lowest on record, being only 3.13 per thousand births. Mortality among children under one year of age also decreased, largely as a result of the rapidly-growing number of mothers who attend infant welfare and antenatal clinics to learn how to guard their own and their children's health. There was a rise in the number of births, resulting in the highest number of births for five years.

A COUNTRY DIARY

December 5.—I received a rude shock at the Jessfield Zoo this morning when I found two beautiful Blue Magpies labelled—"Magpies—*Pica pica sericea*" .... and I feel sure this is a double-edged insult which would upset a lot of birds if they only knew about it. My old friend Maggie, for example, is a true *Pica pica* and always wears a very correct costume of black and white with a green sheen on the wings and tail. Our local "blue magpies," whose name is really "Azure-winged Magpie" are members of the *Cyanopica syana* family, very toney people who dress a little showily when compared to Maggie's family, but who pride themselves on the correctness of their attire .... just azure-blue and grey with a neat black hunting cap and a little white tip to the tail. But those birds which Mr. Kerr is keeping out at Jessfield .... (well, my dear, I hardly like to tell you about them) .... they have bright red bills and legs to match, brilliant blue feathers with shades of lilac .... feathers on the crown tipped with pale violet (fancy that now!) .... white spots all down their swishy tails, *and*, they sing and call most melodiously .... quite unlike their relatives the *Picas* and the *Cyanopicas*. Out in the Hongkong hills, which is their typical home, they are one of the most beautiful things imaginable and I really do not know how they ever got to Jessfield .... even though Mr. La Touche says their habitat includes the Yangtze Valley. Their true name (I hate to say it) is, *Urocissa erythrorhyncha erythrorhyncha* .... a snappy little name which any bird might be proud of .... and there they are, labelled with the name of *Pica pica sericea*. None of us are amused. Fie! on you, all you Municipal Councillors! I shall bring this up at the next Ratepayers' Meeting .... and it will make a nice change from that stupid annual wrangle about the orchestra.

IN PARENTHESIS

Barely

"So you didn't get in till three o'clock in the morning? Oo! Did your dad beat you?"

"Yes, but only just."

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Ousting the Car

WHILST the rest of the world reports increases in the use of cars, Japan is urging the return to bicycles for the duration of the war. The Foreign Minister now goes to all Government meetings on two wheels.

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Relieved

THE nervous passenger approached the captain timidly. "What would happen," she asked, "if we struck a large iceberg?"

"The iceberg would pass along as if nothing had happened," replied the captain.

And the old lady was very much relieved.

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Intermission

"THE Intellectual Women—she imitates man."

So asserts a contemporary writer, and I was wondering if. . .

Yes, he says "imitates" man. . . .

Oh, quite, my dear fellow; obviously he means that women wouldn't know how to be intellectual unless they imitated us. . . .

So I was just wondering...no, perhaps your're right....it mightn't be wise....

And you won't tell your wife either.

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Senator Soaper Says—

LEW Lahr is always good for a laugh when saying "Monkeys are the craziest people," because people are.

A serum extracted from ducks is pushed as the new cure for hay fever; and not—we are assured—by quacks.

In upper Michigan, a town poolhall burns to the ground. As we remember the gag, it went on to say, "hundreds homeless."

From the Far East comes the dread intelligence that Tokyo's great love for China is closing in from two sides.

Television sets for the home are promised on easy terms in '39. With television, though, the instalment collector can come right into the delinquent's dining-room.

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Dear Old Mrs. D.

MRS. Darguziene, a Lithuanian, 110 years old, with a wonderful knowledge of local folk songs, has promised to come from her village to Kaunas to make gramophone records, but, not trusting trains or cars, she insists on walking—a distance of 100 miles.

Her daughter, a mere slip of 60, has already arrived there, saying "Mother will follow." Naturally, Mrs. D. cannot be quite so nippy over 100 miles as she was when a girl in her 'nineties.

But one can imagine her swinging along—singing a song—at a steady four miles an hour. "Olga's Lament"—almost certainly she will sing that . . .

There's snow in my shoes;
There's snow in my hair;
There's snow in my blouse;
There's snow everywhere;
There's snow in my heart,
Which feels like a stone,
Since Grinkir, my lover,
Left me alone.
Grinkir,
The Stinkir!

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American Howlers

THE male inhabitants of Paris are called Parasites.

A simple sentence is a sentence that means nothing.

To find the number of square feet in a room you multiply the room by the number of feet.

The reason a balloon ascends is because the law of gravity is turned upside down.

What is the hide of a cow used for?
To cover the cow.

The Spartan boys were beaten to death sometimes to see if they could stand it.

Etiquette is little things you do that you don't want to do.

What is an individual?
An individual is one piece of people.

THE WEATHER

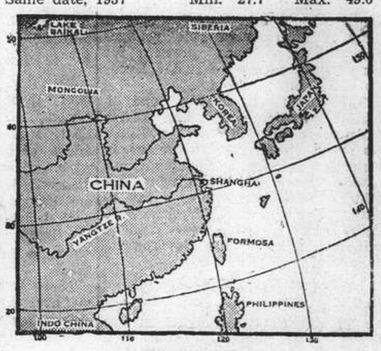
Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min.	40.5	Max.	61.0
Same date, 1937	Min.	29.5	Max.	46.5

Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min.	34.5	Max.	64.9
Same date, 1937	Min.	27.7	Max.	49.6



Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 5th:—Siberian anticyclone rather high and steady over eastern China, Japan and Korea. Typhoon to the west-north-west of Yap moving west by north. Moderate north-westerly to north-easterly winds along the China Coast. Fine, cold to cool weather in China. Depression crossing northern Japan east-north-eastward.

State on the morning of the 6th:—Fine and rather cold weather. East-south-easterly breezes. High and steady pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine and cold weather, cloudy at times with moderate to fresh north-westerly to north-easterly monsoon over Shantung, our regions, the Eastern Sea and Formosa. Showery in places around southern Formosa. The typhoon over the Pacific is getting slow. Typhoon signal: Approximate position of the centre, at 6 a.m., within 120 miles, latitude 12, longitude 130, slowly westward, intensity: Unknown.—Siccawei Observatory.

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A Canadian	$50.00
In memory of Mrs. Eva Marion Roach:—	
Miss J. Solomon	$ 5.00

Giant German Condor Plane Crashes

Record-Breaking Airliner Forced Down Off Shore of Cavite, P.I.; All Six Occupants Saved by Fishermen; Craft May Be Salvaged

Manila, Dec. 6.

WINGING homeward on a triumphant trip to Berlin after breaking the record for a flight from Berlin to Tokyo, the giant four-engined German Condor monoplane met with disaster shortly after 4 p.m. today and crashed off Rosario in Cavite Province, but all six occupants of the transport airliner were saved from drowning by Filipino fishermen. The monoplane crashed into the waters close to Cavite owing to engine trouble.

All five members of the crew and Dr. Heinrich Junge, chief engineer of the Focke-Wulf Company, builders of the Condor monoplane, were picked up by Filipino fishermen shortly after the giant airliner crashed. Although the motors faded, expert handling of the plane by Captain Alfred Henke, chief pilot, and Captain Baron Rudolph von Moreau, co-pilot, resulted in the plane landing right side up. A launch sent from Cavite arrived at the scene and picked up the six Germans, bringing them to Manila where they were met by Manila and German Consular officials and numerous newspapermen and photographers.

The first leg of the return trip of the German "Goodwill" plane ended spectacularly when the gleaming silver monoplane encountered engine trouble almost within sight of Manila and crashed into the China Sea. In the midst of a group of Filipino fishing boats off the village of Rosario, thirty miles west of Manila.

Startled by the unexpected landing, the Filipino fishermen rushed to the rescue of the Germans when they saw that the Condor transport airliner had started to sink.

Rescue in Nick of Time

They removed the six Germans from the plane a moment before it sank. While they were rescuing the Germans, Captain Mark Lewis of the United States Army hovered overhead in an aeroplane and watched the operations. Captain Lewis, who was sent by Manila authorities to make a search for the missing German plane, which failed to arrive on schedule, immediately flashed a radio message to Manila asking that an amphibian be sent to pick up the Germans.

Although he witnessed the crash and saw the Filipino fishermen rescue the Germans, he was unable to help because he was flying a land plane. He kept hovering over the wreck, however, and sent radio messages to Manila informing the world that the Germans had been saved.

The Condor sank fast but was not completely submerged in the water. Witnesses reported that the top of the submerged Condor was visible from the shore. The plane sank about 100 feet from the shore and it was expected that the authorities would be able to salvage the airliner at low tide.

The German airmen apparently were making an effort to land on the beach, but they were prevented from carrying out their hope for an emergency landing and were forced to crash into the shallow waters because the engine faded.

Hundreds of curious Filipinos lined the shore to witness the unsual spectacle of the submerged plane. Many fishermen brought out their boats and sailed alongside the submerged airliner.

The authorities took steps to place a guard round the plane because it was feared that souvenir hunters might damage the aircraft.

Craft May Be Salvaged

After landing at Manila at 7 p.m., the Germans were taken to the German Consulate-General where they will be the guests of Herr G. A. Sakowsky, the German Consul-General.

Dr. Junge, who was the first to arrive at the Consulate, was bombarded by questions of newspapermen. He announced that the Condor monoplane would be dismantled and shipped back to Germany if the salvage operations would be successful.

Dr. Junge told the United Press that a broken petrol line had caused a loss of fuel supply within ten minutes of the plane's arrival at Manila. This failure, he said, forced a deadstick landing in water.

"Prior to the misfortune, the flight from Tokyo was very smooth and not eventful," he said.

He pointed out that the plane was the same one which last August successfully completed the record flight from Berlin to New York. The former Brandenburg, the four-engined Condor was slightly transformed for the Tokyo trip. An auxiliary tank was installed in the smoking room and its 26 seats were removed to make room for the crew.

Germans Escape Injury

Dr. Junge said that the crew had decided to attempt a landing in water rather than chance a landing on the narrow and irregular beach on which it might have nosed over.

All of the Germans escaped injuries, receiving minor scratches. The United States Navy rushed ambulances from Cavite, but they were not needed.

The water-soaked fliers arrived at Manila Hotel and announced that they were hungry and would be ready to eat their dinner as soon as they obtained some dry clothing.

The record flight from Berlin to Tokyo was not only a goodwill flight but was made for the purpose of exploring the possibilities for a commercial air line between Germany and Japan as well as to test the suitability of the Condor monoplanes for such a service, it was understood.

The German airmen said that they had been ordered to fly low and this prevented them from selecting an emergency landing field when the plane's engine faded.

Several hundred people, headed by the German Consul-General, assembled at the Nielson airport to greet the Condor.

First News of Disaster

The big German monoplane, which completed a flight from Berlin to Tokyo in three stages in the record time of 46 hours, 20 minutes and 52 seconds for the 14,180 kilometres between the two points, left Tachikawa, the military airport near Tokyo, at 5.37 a.m. today. It was expected to arrive here at 3.15 p.m.

When the time of the arrival approached and there was no sign of the monoplane, the officials grew nervous. Shortly before 4 p.m. the radiomen in the Condor plane reported that they were experiencing engine trouble, but they advised the airport

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U.S. Will Combat Italian Claims

Racist Doctrine Must Be Opposed to Last in American Territory

Washington, Dec. 5.

The United States will combat to the last any Italian campaign seeking to raise to the fore the problem of Italian minorities scattered throughout the world, politicians here asserted in answer to several questions today.

Recalling that some 2,000,000 Italians entered the U.S. between the years 1870 and 1930, they stated that the total number of Italians in this country is now much above that figure.

Political quarters here are greatly interested and are even perturbed by reports according to which Italian attacks against France might prove the prelude to larger-scale claims involving all Italian minorities, and affecting even Italians now naturalized citizens of other countries.

According to Rome's racial theories, all people having Italian fathers are to be considered as belonging to the Italian nation, it is recalled.

Politicians believe that most of the Italians in the U.S. would be ready to rebel against any attempts made to incorporate them into Italy's political system.

The U.S. has to date treated kindly all Italians in this country whereas it has energetically combatted German penetration on the American continent. Furthermore, American opinion is now roused against the Reich, it is pointed out.

Such kindly treatment of Italians may have to be changed by the U.S. Government if the doctrine of world Italianism is made a new instrument of political and economic expansion. In that case, the United States would fight against Italian pretentions just as they are now battling German attempts.—Havas.

Belgian Cabinet May Collapse

Socialist Resolution Rejects Sending Agent to Burgos

Brussels, Dec. 6.

The resignation of the Socialist ministers in the Belgian Cabinet is foreshadowed following a resolution passed by a special congress of the Belgian Labour Party yesterday, rejecting the Government's decision to send an agent to Franco Spain. The vote in favour of the resolution totalled 372,450, and that against, 187,598, with 7,820 abstentions.

Speaking before the resolution was passed, M. Paul-Henri Spaak, the Prime Minister, declared that if Congress condemned the attitude of ministers, a crisis was inevitable.

He warned the Congress against a return to sterile opposition, and said that a Government crisis would involve grave consequences for democracy, and would probably lead to the dissolution of Parliament.

M. Balthazar, Minister for Public Works, explained clearly that passing the resolution would involve the resignation of the Socialist ministers.

After the resolution had been passed, the Socialist ministers met, and it was decided to summon the Cabinet last night. The Government may meet the Chamber today and if the Socialists opposed the Government, the Socialist Ministers would resign.—Reuter.

China Association Annual Dinner

180 Present But Speeches Not Reported

London, Dec. 6.

About 180 persons attended the annual dinner of the China Association tonight.

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, a Director of the Bank of England and formerly a member of the Executive Council at Hongkong, was in the chair, while the guests were Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade; Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Ambassador; Lord Alness, Chairman of Chinese Bondholders' Committee appointed by the Governor of the Bank of England; Sir John Wardlaw-Milne, Conservative M.P. for Kidderminster; Mr. Adrian Moreing, Conservative M.P. for Preston; and Mr. W. M. Kirkpatrick, Representative in China of the Board of Trade Export Credits Guarantee Department.

At the request of Mr. Stanley, the speeches made during the dinner were not reported.—Reuter.

United States Lines Building Super-Liner

New York, Dec. 5.

Officials of the United States Lines today announced that the firm at present had under construction a new U.S.$16,000,000 super-liner. To be launched in 1941, the new American vessel will be named "The America."—United Press.

M.P.'s Anxious Over Shipping Discrimination

Interference Alleged By Japanese in North

London, Dec. 6.

Showing the sustained interest of members in the China situation, further questions on various matters arising out of the Sino-Japanese hostilities were asked in the House of Commons yesterday. These included queries regarding alleged discrimination against British shipping in North China; position of British shipping at Tsingtao; and the action of British bluejackets in Hankow prior to the capture of that city by the Japanese.

Mr. Adrian Moreing, Conservative member for Preston, asked what steps were being taken to remove the pressure alleged to be exercised by the Japanese authorities in North China upon Chinese firms, to compel the latter to ship goods in Japanese or German ships, instead of in British ships.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, replied that the position was that a ban existed at Chefoo and other ports in Shantung, on the export to South China of certain articles, these not being the property of Third Power nationals.

In one case which was brought to the notice of the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, shipment in a foreign vessel was permitted, although the goods, apparently, were Chinese owned.

Representations had been made on the subject to the Japanese authorities in China, and to the Japanese Government, both with regard to the interference with trade in British ships, and discrimination in favour of foreign vessels.

Minor Officials "Profiteer"

A suggestion was made by Sir Walter Smiles, Conservative member for Blackburn, that the Japanese army authorities, and the wharf administration, at Tsingtao no longer objected to British ships berthing at the wharfside, but that subordinate Japanese officials were making a large profit from lighterage charges, which the Japanese naval mission at Tsingtao compelled British shipowners to pay.

In reply, Mr. Butler stated:—

"As a result of representations, the Japanese naval authorities at Tsingtao have undertaken, if conditions permit, to arrange the matter satisfactorily as soon as possible.

"The British Government expect that this assurance will be implemented at an early date.

"I understand that, following complaints of excess lighterage charges, the Japanese authorities at Tsingtao recently investigated the affairs of the lighterage company, and that some re-organization has been effected."

Bluejackets at Hankow

Mr. Adrian Moreing next asked whether, after the Chinese forces retreated from Hankow, British bluejackets were sent to cut wires, and remove explosives laid by the Chinese in Japanese buildings; by whose orders this was done; and what was the reason for such interference with legitimate Chinese military operations.

Mr. Butler replied in the affirmative to the first question, and said after the withdrawal of the Chinese troops from Hankow, British naval patrols were landed to maintain order in the former British Concession.

On taking over temporary charge, said Mr. Butler, they removed dynamite and other charges from buildings previously prepared for demolition.

This was done to prevent damage to adjoining British property, and loss of life in the ex-British Concession, which was then crowded with refugees.

With regard to the latter part of the question, the British Government, Mr. Butler went on, were satisfied that in the interests of humanity the action taken was fully justified.

Mr. Moreing asked if Mr. Butler was satisfied that these buildings, in which explosives were laid, were in all cases adjacent to British property, whether, in fact, they were in many instances situated in separate parts of the city, and whether in that case the action of the British bluejackets would constitute interference with Chinese military operations.

Mr. Butler replied that if Mr. Moreing had any information to give him, he would certainly consider it.

Question in Lords

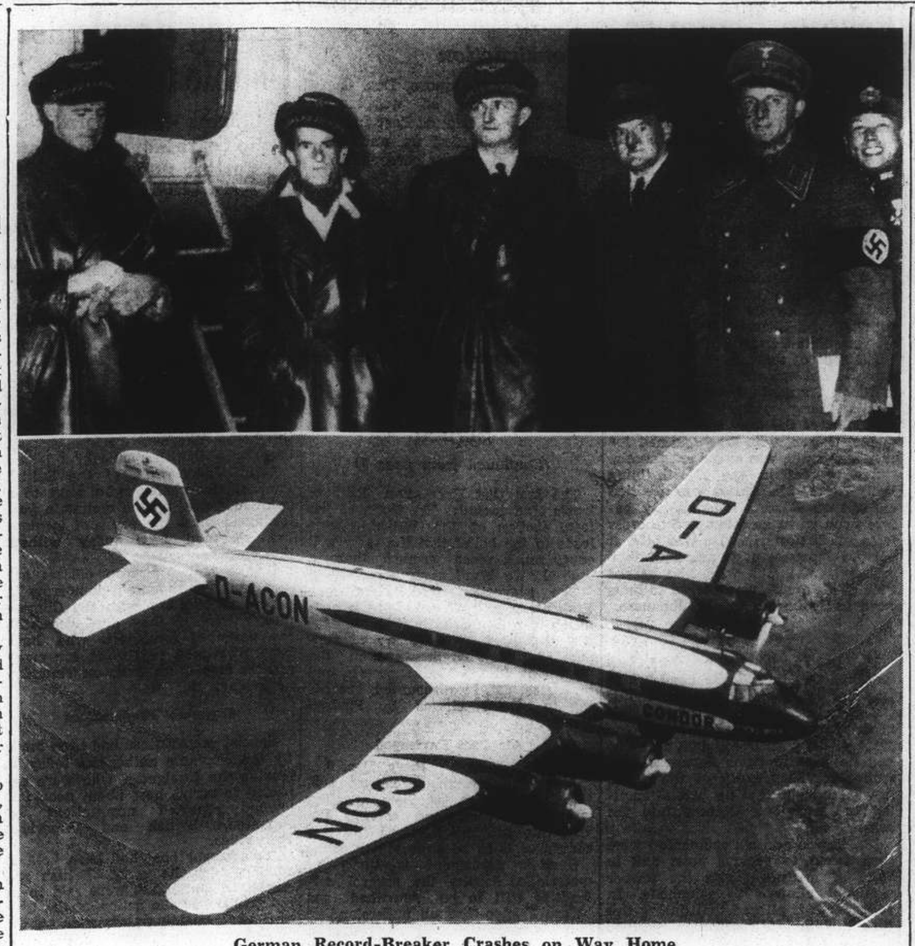
Information in regard to the action which the British Government was taking to protect British interests in China was sought from Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, by Lord Elibank in the House of Lords today.

Things, Lord Elibank asserted, were daily growing worse, and Japan, by various measures, was gradually monopolizing China's trade as well as currency.—Reuter.

Hines Associates' Trial

New York, Dec. 6.

Sentences on Dixie Davis, George Weinberg and Harry Schœnhaus, who turned State's evidence at the first trial of the ex-Tammany leader, James Hines, has been postponed until February 2, 1939, in view of Hines' second trial.—Reuter.



German Record-Breaker Crashes on Way Home

Disaster has overtaken the huge four-engined German Condor monoplane which crashed off Rosario in Cavite Province of the Philippines yesterday afternoon. All six occupants are reported safe, having been picked up by Filipino fishermen, but the giant craft, which set the Berlin-Tokyo record by achieving the distance of 14,180 kilometres in 46 hours, twenty minutes and 52 seconds, is submerged in the sea off-shore but may be salvaged. Skilful handling by the pilot, a veteran of many trans-Atlantic flights, Capt. Alfred Henke, brought the plane down upon the waters right side up after the motors faded. Crew of the Condor, shown above, are Capt. Henke, chief pilot; Capt. Baron Rudolph von Moreau, co-pilot; Herr Paul Dierberg and Herr Walter Kober, radio operators; and Herr Georg Kohme, mechanic. The sixth occupant, Dr. Heinrich Junge, is chief engineer of the Focke-Wulf Company which built the plane.

Chinese Repulse Attacks Made On Tapieh Mountains

Japanese Drive Said to Have Been Unsuccessful; Moves in North-west China Foreshadowed

Chungking, Dec. 6.

CHINESE circles attach considerable importance to the recent alleged successful stand made by Chinese forces, at present concentrated in the Tapiehshan mountain range in north-west Hupeh province, against Japanese efforts to oust them.

Japanese columns, Chinese despatches claim, attacked Lotien and Yinshan recently, but were stated to have finally been repulsed by the Chinese in a counter-attack.

Chinese circles point out that the Tapiehshan mountain range and the Taihanshan mountains in Honan province have always been the strongholds of Chinese guerillas against foreign invasions.

It is recalled that the famous Chinese General Yofei, in the Sung Dynasty, operating in the Taihanshan mountain range, successfully resisted a Tartar invasion, while remnants of "Long Hairs," or Taiping rebels, after the fall of Nanking, held out in the Tapiehshan mountains for over one year against repeated Manchu attacks.—Reuter.

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

Eight hundred Chinese soldiers were slain when the Japanese garrison repulsed an attack by about 2,000 troops on Sutsien on the Grand Canal, south-east of Hsuchow, at midnight on December 2, according to a delayed message received here today.

The Chinese also attacked Suining, an Anhwei border town, and were repulsed.—Domei.

Extensive Air Raids

Intensive Japanese air raids, conducted principally by army aircraft, against Chinese concentration points south of Tungting Lake, have foiled an apparent intention of Gen. Chiang Kai-shek's forces to launch a counter-offensive against the Japanese front in the Yochow-Pingkiang sector in Hunan, Japanese military authorities in Shanghai claimed yesterday.

Abandoning their plans to attack the Japanese, a spokesman for the Japanese Expeditionary Force to Central China said, the Chinese are digging in. Elaborate defences he declared, were being built in the hilly terrain west and east of Pingkiang, which is naturally suited for such works.

Large Chinese Concentrations

Raided last week were Changteh, Yiyang, and Ningsiang, in Hunan, where large Chinese concentrations of men and material were sighted.

Meantime, Japanese army aircraft continued vigorous attacks upon newly-constructed Chinese military establishments near Pingkiang, the spokesman claimed.

At 2 o'clock on Sunday, a group of 16 Japanese bombers swooped down upon newly erected barracks housing Chinese troops estimated at between 7,000 to 8,000 men in that sector, he said.

With the conclusion of mopping up operations along the eastern bank of the Pearl River delta, Japanese troops in South China were gradually extending the territory in their control westward, the spokesman revealed.

Army aircraft were playing a major part in these new operations, he said.

Kowkong, important point on the West River, 50 kilometres south-west of Canton, the spokesman declared, had been occupied by Japanese forces at 2 o'clock on Saturday afternoon following street fighting lasting for almost three hours.

Raids in North Kwangtung

Canton, Dec. 6.

Vigorous aerial attacks were made yesterday by Japanese army aircraft against Chinese military headquarters in northern and western Kwangtung province.

Raided were Namyung, where in addition to important military offices, a large well-equipped aerodrome is located, and Shiuhing, where regional headquarters are believed to have been set up.

At Namyung, in the northern part of the province, pilots reported, there were no Chinese aeroplanes either on the ground or in the air.

Shiuhing, 50 kilometres west of Samshui, was bombed for three hours in succession.—Domei.

Kongmoon Captured

Hongkong, Dec. 6.

The Japanese troops operating south of the Pearl River captured Kongmoon, strategic town forty miles northwest of Macao and terminus of the railway paralleling the southern Kwangtung coast, late last night, well-informed circles reported here this morning.—United Press.

Japanese Gather in Shansi

Chungking, Dec. 6.

Japanese troops in south-west Shansi are concentrating on the north bank of the Feng River and also where the Feng River flows into the Yellow River, according to Chinese reports received here today.

The alleged intention of these troops, state the reports, is to advance towards Yumentu in order to cross the Yellow River and enter Shensi province.

Chinese forces, the reports declare, are taking up positions on the west bank of the Yellow River, in the vicinity of Hanchen.—Reuter.

Red General in Command

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

North-west China has been placed under the control of Communist military commanders by order of Gen. Chiang Kai-shek, a field dispatch reaching here today alleged.

Orders for the withdrawal of the Ninth, Fourteenth, and the 166th Divisions of the Central Army forces, which are under direct orders of Gen. Chiang, from the north bank of the Yellow River to the south bank for transfers further to the west of Tungkwan were reported to have been issued.

In its place, the dispatch said, Gen. Peng Te-hui, a Communist leader, was appointed by Gen. Chiang to head the Chinese forces in that region of Honan Province.

This was described as indicating the evacuation of the Nationalists from north-west China in favour of the Communist forces.—Domei.

U.S. Officials Study Possibilities of Sanctions Against Certain Nations

Powers Inherent in Present Laws Believed Latent For Presidential Action; Reich and Japan Hit

Washington, Dec. 5.

Administration officials today studied confidential reports submitted by legal experts on available methods whereby President Franklin D. Roosevelt could institute sanctions against Germany and Japan under present regulations and laws, it was revealed here today.

After a thorough study of possibilities, legal experts today indicated that under the Smoot-Hawley tariff act "the President has very broad powers which he is free to exercise without the recommendation, consent or approval of any other governmental agency."

These powers could be exercised by the President's proclaiming an intention to increase certain tariffs when "according to his findings a foreign nation discriminates directly or indirectly against the United States."

The President is also empowered to issue a second proclamation under this Act to the effect that "products of the said country, or such articles as are imported in its vessels....shall be excluded from the United States."

A second method of Presidential action is also contained in the U.S. tariff code which empowers the President to exclude any or all of the products of a foreign nation whenever he is "satisfied that such country unjustly discriminates against the importation of products of the United States."—United Press.

Duke of Kent Arrives In Oslo

Oslo, Dec. 6.

The Duke of Kent arrived here today for the funeral of Queen Maud. He is replacing his brother, the Duke of Gloucester, who fractured his collar bone while hunting with the Belvoir Hounds on Saturday.—Reuter.

More Unemployed In Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 6.

Official returns show that the number of unemployed registered in Great Britain on November 11 totalled 1,828,103, which is 46,876 more than on October 17, and 328,900 more than November 15 last year.—Reuter.

China Made Peace Offer to Japan

Tokyo Terms Enforced Continuance of War, Says Dr. Hu Shih

New York, Dec. 5.

Dr. Hu Shih, Chinese Ambassador to the United States, today revealed that China had made informal and indirect peace offers to Japan after the fall of Canton and Hankow.

However, the Ambassador declared, the counter-proposals offered by Japan could not be honourably accepted. This had resulted in a quick decision to continue the war.

Dr. Hu made these statements at a luncheon held in the Lawyers Club in New York. He attended the luncheon as the guest of Dr. K. C. Li.

The Chinese diplomat likened the present conditions obtaining in China to those which faced the American colonies in 1776.

"Our armies are undergoing the hardships and trials of China's Valley Forge," he declared.

"As certain as the fact that the superior condition, strength and armament of his foes was no match for the indomitable courage of George Washington and the spirit of the Colonial troops and of Congress, just so certainly will Japanese manpower and the mechanization of her sprawled-out armies prove no match for the courage and the national spirit of sacrifice which is inspiring the Chinese armies in their fight to prevent the crushing of a great nation and a great culture."

Difficulties Very Great

Dr. Hu revealed that great difficulties attended the portage by trucks of military supplies over the 3,000-mile road from French Indo-China. He said that the new road connecting the beleaguered part of China with Burma had been completed and was in use before the end of November. This had eased the ammunition-supply situation considerably, he declared.

Dr. Hu declared that China's armies had suffered terrific casualties during the war thus far, including more than a million men killed. He added that more than sixty times that number of civilians were direct victims of hostilities.

"China has no right to expect and does not seek to have one single American risk his life in defence of China," the Ambassador concluded.—United Press.

Anti-Comintern Arms Pact Unproved

London, Dec. 6.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, replied in the negative yesterday when asked in the House of Commons whether he had any information to show that the Anti-Comintern Pact between Germany, Italy and Japan had been strengthened so as to constitute a military alliance among these three countries.—Reuter.

Mr. K. E. Poyser New Malaya Chief Justice

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 6.

The Colonial Office announces that Mr. K. E. Poyser, Puisne Judge of Ceylon, has been selected for appointment as Chief Justice of the Malay States. Mr. Poyser succeeds Sir Roger Hall, who is retiring.—Reuter.

Franco-German Pact Signed

Paris Press Uneasy over Herr von Ribbentrop's Visit; Parleys May Cover Spain, Trade Issues

Paris, Dec. 6.

ACCOMPANIED by his wife and a large staff, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, arrived this morning at the Gare des Invalides after an uneventful trip from Berlin. The station was heavily guarded outside and inside. The police did not permit crowds to collect. The two routes to the Hotel Crillon, where the German statesman is staying, were heavily guarded. People did not know beforehand which one would be taken.

The exact nature of the discussions which Herr von Ribbentrop will have here is being kept a jealously guarded secret. The German aim, official quarters in Berlin state, is to improve Franco-German relations on the lines of the Anglo-German declaration at Munich. French circles believe, however, that Herr von Ribbentrop will try to extend the conversations further, and it is believed that he will try to reassure French ministers on the "Franco-phobe" passages in "Mein Kampf."

They also believe that he will give re-assurances on the significance of Germany's eastward penetration, while it is expected that the French will raise the question of Spain, and enquire whether the Reich supports the latest Italian demands in the Mediterranean.

Franco-German press and commercial relations will also probably be discussed.

The German Minister and his wife were greeted at the station by M. Georges Bonnet, French Foreign Minister, and Madame Bonnet. Republican guards formed a guard of honour.

Herr von Ribbentrop told M. Bonnet: "I am very happy to be in France. I saw France all morning in the magnificent sunshine."

There was no anti-German demonstration on his arrival.

The station was decorated with tapestries, flowers, dwarf pine trees and tricolour and Swastika flags intertwined.

There were, however, no flags flying and no crowd gathered along the route from the station to the Hotel Crillon, where the German statesman is staying. Two thousand uniformed plainclothes police were on duty along the two routes to the hotel.

Herr von Ribbentrop first called on the President of France, M. Albert Lebrun, at the Elysee Palace, where he stayed for half an hour, after which he lunched with the Premier, M. Edouard Daladier.

The German official wore the new German diplomatic uniform, which he only had worn once before on his visit to Rome.

Paris Press Uneasy

"Certainly no agreement exists, of which the terms cannot be evaded by subtle diplomacy if a breach arouses the temptation."

This remark, which appears in "Le Journal" today, typifies the trace of uneasiness to be found in press comment on the mission to France of Herr von Ribbentrop.

The newspapers welcome the "no war" declaration, but point out that Germany is part of the Berlin-Rome axis, and comment on its possible effect on the prevailing Franco-Italian tension in the Mediterranean.

Commenting on the signature of the Franco-German "no-war" declaration, the Right Wing newspaper, "Epoque", says that the value of the signature will be either proved or disproved in the Mediterranean.

"Le Populaire," official organ of Socialists, understands that certain Ministers will not have the "honour" of being invited to the dinner at the Quai d'Orsay in honour of Herr von Ribbenrop. Among these are said to be two non-Aryan Cabinet Ministers namely, the Ministers of National Education and Colonies.

Utmost efforts are being made to keep secret the time-table which Herr von Ribbentrop will observe on arrival here tomorrow, with the object of avoiding hostile demonstrations.

All that can be gathered from official circles in Paris is that the joint "No War Declaration" will:—

Firstly, rrecognize as unalterable the frontiers of France and Germany;

Secondly, affirm goodwill between the two nations; and

Thirdly, include an understanding by the two nations to consult each other in the event of differences, but subject to the condition that third parties may also be consulted.

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Franco-German "No War" Pact Signed

Paris, Dec. 6.

In a solemn but simple ceremony, the Franco-German joint declaration was signed at 3.30 p.m. today in the Salon de l'Horloge at the Quai d'Orsay.

Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, signed the statement for his Government, and M. Georges Bonnet, the French Foreign Minister, did so for France in the presence of diplomatic personalities and members of the French and German press. Among personalities present were Herr Hans von Welczeck, the German Ambassador to France; M. Edouard Daladier, the French Premier; M. Alexis Leger, Secretary-General at the Quai d'Orsay, and M. Robert Coulondre, the French Ambassador to Germany.—Havas.

Latest Exchange

The closing Interbank selling rates yesterday were as follows:

Sterling 8 13/32d. U.S.$ 16 1/32c.

LONDON METALS AND N.Y. CROSS RATE

London, Dec. 6.

Silver prices were fixed ½d. higher for both positions, with quotations being:—

	Dec. 5	Dec. 6
London spot	20d.	20½d.
" forward	19 7/16d.	19 7/16d.
" gold	148/3½d.	148/1d.

London/New York:

One pound	U.S.$4.6931	$4.6906
One U.S. dollar	51.138d.	51.166d.

—Reuter.

New Blows Dealt German Jews

State Takes Property; Real Estate, Gold and Securities Controlled

Berlin, Dec. 6.

New blows against the Jews are detailed in a decree published in the "Official Gazette," under which the authorities are empowered to dispose of Jewish property.

The Agricultural and Forestry Departments are empowered to wind up Jewish agricultural and forest lands. In future Jews will not be allowed to acquire real estate, or rights in real property.

Jewish owners must place their securities in special bank safes, marked as belonging to Jews, and must not remove or dispose of their securities without the permission of the Minister of Economics.

German Jews, and Jews without a country, are forbidden to acquire, pawn or sell articles of gold, platinum, silver or precious stones of their own accord.

Future would-be buyers of such Jewish articles will only be able to acquire them through special Government selling agencies.

Persons affected, according to the new decree, will have the right to protest against this law within a fortnight.

Herr Streicher Gives Warning

"He who believes that the Jewish problem has already been solved commits a sin against his nation," declares Herr Julius Streicher, Germany's chief anti-Semite.

Herr Streicher, addressing law officials at Nurembuerg, added:—

"Even after the last Jew has left Germany, the solution has not been reached, for the Jews wait outside to take revenge.

"By solving the Jewish question, the German people have embarked on an arduous road, but they had no other choice if they wanted to save themselves."—Reuter.

"Voluntary Contributions"

Berlin, Dec. 5.

Herr Walther Funk, Reich Minister of Economics, today issued a decree requiring all Jews to make "voluntary contributions" to obtain passports. These contributions in some instances amounted to 350,000 marks.

Officials claimed that they were donating these "contributions" to needy Jews who wished to emigrate. However, it was reliably reported one Jew offered to pay the money directly to the needy Jews. His passport was withheld.—United Press.

Commons Adopt Sandys Case Inquiry Report

Mr. Chamberlain Speaks On Next Stage of Issue

London, Dec. 5.

The House of Commons adopted unanimously today the report of the special Parliamentary Committee which investigated the problem of the application of the Official Secrets Act to members of Parliament.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain recalled the Sandys case in which the Conservative M.P. was alleged to have been threatened with imprisonment under the provisions of the Act. He said that case had arisen chiefly over a misunderstanding.

"The House will now await the conclusions of the Committee on what will be a much more important matter, namely the question of the application of the Official Secrets Act to members of the House discharging their Parliamentary duties." the Premier continued.

"If that is done, the Committee is able to put before us some programme of general guidance for our conduct in the future. Then we may hope that it will be unlikely that we shall ever see a recurrence of such incidents as the one which came before us last summer.—Havas.

Further Shootings Stir Bucharest

Bucharest, Dec. 5.

Two Rumanian youths today fired four shots at Colonel Cristescu, President of the Military Tribunal, when he was leaving the Court building in Cernauti. It was believed here that the youths were connected with the Iron Guard movement and were attempting retaliation for the death of Captain Cornelius Codreanu and his thirteen Iron Guard companions. Colonel Cristescu was wounded, but is expected to recover. One assailant, a college student, Leonid Lututovici, was captured, the other escaping.—United Press.

Chicago Newspapermen Strike

Chicago, Dec. 5.

The Newspapermen's Guild today called strikes of its workers on two Hearst newspapers, the "Chicago American" and the "Chicago Herald-Examiner," to protest against alleged mass firing of employees, violations of editorial contracts and refusal to negotiate in accordance with stipulations of the contracts. The Guild claimed that 1,100 of its members had struck and would affect over 3,000 workers in the editorial, circulation and business departments of the two papers concerned.—United Press.

Europe Drifts Into War No Country Wants

Mr. Oswald Pirow Gives Impression of Tour; Psychological Factors Alone to Blame

London, Dec. 5.

"EUROPE is drifting into a war that no nation wants but for which every Government is preparing. Unless there is a complete change in the situation within the next month or two, international tension will reach the breaking-point during the coming spring." Mr. Oswald Pirow, South Africa's National Defence Minister, made this prediction today upon his return from a tour of several European capitals. It was Mr. Pirow who was reported some time ago to have plans for a settlement of Germany's colonial claims.

He emphasized in an interview with the press today, that it is not a question of principles but only of psychological factors, for instance the refugee problem, which is responsible for the general drift towards war.

Mr. Pirow then gave an outline of a possible solution of the thorny refugee problem, now causing so much difficulty.

"Two things are necessary," he asserted. "The first is money, to take the place of the assets which the refugees are not allowed to take with them. The second is land on which to settle those who have no money or who, though they do have money, are debarred by immigration laws.

"An international loan for which countries who wish to get rid of their refugees would be responsible, but which would be guaranteed by other great Powers, would solve the first question.

"As to land—there is more than enough unoccupied and suitable land which could form an entity either as a State or as a Mandate and which could settle twice the number of refugees likely to be available."

The whole trouble is due to the lack of willingness to make any real sacrifice on the part of countries which do profess sympathy for the refugees, however. It is also due to the lack of willingness shown by peace-loving countries to make sacrifices in the cause of peace.

After granting this interview to the Press, Mr. Pirow called upon the Dominions Secretary, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald and talked over the results of his European tour.

According to well-informed quarters, Mr. Pirow stated that he believed Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler to be less interested in the colonial problem than in German expansion in Central and Eastern Europe.

Only minor National Socialist officials are employed in spreading colonial propaganda, he is said to have pointed out.

While Herr Hitler raises the colonial issue at times, according to the circumstances and the attitude of the western democracies, he does not intend to make any colonial demands in earnest, it is alleged.

Mr. Pirow is now due to leave for South Africa on Friday, but before departing, he is to see both the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, and the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax.—Havas.

Berlin More Optimistic

Berlin, Dec. 6.

Official circles here do not share Mr. Oswald Pirow's views regarding the "dark international outlook."

One spokesman said: "It does not surprise us that Mr. Pirow noticed existing difficulties and contrasts, but it does surprise us that he did not mention the efforts which Herr von Ribbentrop is making to find new ways of overcoming these difficulties.

"Herr von Ribbentrop's journey to Paris is the best proof of this. Difficulties must be overcome to avert catastrophes. They must not simply be left alone just because some people consider them perhaps too difficult to be tackled."

The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" describes Mr. Pirow as a prophet of disaster.—Reuter.

LYCEUM THEATRE

"The Women"

Jeanette .....Lilian Grossmann
Nancy (Miss Blake) .....Joyce Watt
Peggy (Mrs. John Day) .....Dallas Lee Franklin
Sylvia (Mrs. Howard Fowler) .....Phyl Boardman
Edith (Mrs. Phelps Potter) Grace Watson
Mary (Mrs. Stephen Haines) .....Jocelyn Ricketts
Mrs. Wagstaff .....Belle Rector-Smith
First Hairdresser .....Luba Rosenfeld
Second Hairdresser .....Gwendoline Irene Gregg
Mud mask .....Joyce Harpham
Euphie .....Jean Mollitz
Pedicurist .....Annie Dobler
Ingrid .....Helen Judd
Olga .....Doreen Mabas
Miss Fordyce .....Oonagh Squire
Little Mary .....Katherine Gold
Mrs. Morehead .....May Pecaric
First Salesgirl .....Cappy Holt
Second Salesgirl .....Eve Barry
First Saleswoman .....Eleanor Korosi
Second Saleswoman .....Maria Hanggi
Model .....Janet Allen
Princess Tamara .....Itala Chieri
Crystal Allen ....."Pep" Lacks
Exercise Instructress .....Helen Dunne
Maggie .....Jean Mollitz
Miss Trimmerback .....Joyce Harpham
Miss Watts .....Helen Wiley
Lucy .....Elizabeth Ferguson
Countess de Lage .....Pope Branch
Miriam Aarons .....Margaret Cheetham
Helene .....Leonie Juvet
First Cutie .....Eleanor Korosi
Second Cutie .....Cappy Holt
First Society woman .....Leonie Juvet
Second Society woman .....Gwendoline Irene Gregg
Cigarette Girl .....Marina Dunne
A Dowager .....Oonagh Squire
Debutante .....Geraldine Cheetham
Sadie .....Helen Judd
A girl in distress .....Eve Barry

The length of the above cast of Clare Booth's "The Women," presented by Mr. Francis Gmehling at the Lyceum Theatre last night before a full house is sufficient reason to explain why a large number of very deserving amateurs will not on this occasion, merely because of lack of space, receive the mention they deserve, for a better balanced, large cast, has not been seen in Shanghai for many a long day. Gossip had made this play a very daring one, and Shanghai has been expecting to be thrilled for several weeks past. There has been a certain amount of intelligent censorship, but enough was left in to allow the girls to get over an occasional daring remark, and feel very self-conscious while they did so. It takes a very clever actress indeed to be able to "sling a fast one" over the footlights, and there are very few amateurs who can hope to do so without "signalling their punches."

The opening was poor. For the most part the first scene was inaudible at least in some sections of the house, and it was not until the second scene that the impression was created that the cast had really got into their stride. After that things went with a swing. Forty-one women, without a single male in the cast had got going and a delightful evening's entertainment followed. The general level of acting was good, but as has already been pointed out only a few can be mentioned. Lillian Grossmann as the French maid was indeed excellent, Joyce Watt as capable as other performances have shown her to be. Phyl Boardman with a comparatively long part did excellently as the gossiping woman who cannot leave things alone, whose fight with Geraldine Cheetham was a very realistic piece of work on which both are to be congratulated, Jocelyn Ricketts, as Mrs. Haines, the woman whose marriage went wrong was easily the outstanding actress of the evening and is most highly to be complimented on the manner in which she sustained a difficult part, while Miss Dallas Lee Franklin rose to a very real height in the telephone scene in the Reno Hotel room. Up to that time her part had been unimpressive, but her telephone reconciliation with her husband was a very charming cameo. "Pep" Lacks is by no means a newcomer to the local stage, but she portrayed the hard boiled female *tertium quid* to perfection, and not only acted the part, but looked it. Pope Branch is a humorous actress of very considerable facility and ought to be seen more often on the Shanghai stage. She afforded very real enjoyment while May Pecaric sketched in the part of Mrs. Haines's mother in an entirely satisfactory manner.

But there were so many of them that it is impossible to do them all full justice. They will have to be included in the omnibus remark that there was not one "stick" amongst them, and that an amount of talent has been revealed which ought to have been availed of a long time before.

The play is very long, undoubtedly due to the time required to change no fewer than eleven sets, and something ought to be done to save time wherever possible. Mr. Gmehling is to be congratulated on the manner he produced the play and the large number of helpers who assisted in making the play the undoubted success it is. The show is well worth seeing, but those who expect it to come up to the reputation given it by current gossip may find themselves somewhat disappointed.—R.T.P.-G.

Fighting on Land at Standstill in Spain

Nationalist Air Raids Only Signs of Activity

London, Dec. 6.

Fighting on land has been practically at a standstill on all fronts in Spain during the past fortnight, according to a Barcelona message.

Activity has consisted mainly of Nationalist air raids, it is stated.

A Madrid telegram states that eleven persons were killed, and 22 injured, in four towns west and north of Valencia when they were raided by eleven Junkers warplanes, protected by eighteen Fiats.—Reuter.

Marshal Wu Pei-fu Goes Into Hiding

Peiping, Dec. 6.

Marshal Wu Pei-fu, famous Chinese soldier and poet, is reported to have gone into hiding in the Legation Quarter. Members of Legations, however, declare that they have no knowledge of his presence. Two days ago Marshal Wu was reported to have rejected Japanese offers to become president of a new Chinese federal government.—Reuter.

Australia Extends Defence Plans

Extra £19,000,000 to Be Spent on Navy and Air Force in Three Years

Canberra, Dec. 6.

A further extension of the Australian three-year defence programme, in which expenditure is fixed at £63,000,000, an increase of £19,000,000 on present plans, has been announced by the Minister of Defence.

Over £20,000,000 will be spent on the Navy.

The principal items of expenditure, apart from the £20,000,000 for the Navy, are £20,000,000 for the army, 16,500,000 for the air force, and nearly £5,000,000 for munitions.

Mr. R. G. Casey, the Treasurer, has announced the introduction of a £10,000,000 defence loan bill to assist in financing the expansion.

An unspecified portion of the sum will be borrowed in London.

The highlights of the new programme are two destroyers of the Tribal class and twelve motor torpedo-boats, to be built in Sydney.

There will be no purchase of a capitalship after the British assurance that an adequate fleet will be stationed at Singapore.

The British Government is to be consulted regarding the provision of a dock at Sydney capable of accommodating battleships and the establishment of a mobile naval air force base at Port Moresby.

The air force will be increased from seventeen to eighteen squadrons, and 212 machines will be stationed at Townville, Queensland.—Reuter.

Echo of Briton's Detention

Representations Made to Japanese Over Arrest of Mr. J. Dalton

Representations concerning the treatment of Mr. J. Dalton, head of the Shanghai Chemical Laboratory, at the hands of Japanese naval sentries and others on November 30 when he was arrested by the former on the Chapoo Road bridge, were made yesterday by H. M. Consular authorities in Shanghai to the Japanese Consulate-General.

The text of the note to the Japanese was not made known by officials of H. M. Consulate, but it is believed that a strong protest against the harshness of the treatment meted out to Mr. Dalton, who was detained for over five hours, was contained therein.

As reported in the "North-China Daily News," Mr. Dalton was arrested on Chapoo Road bridge shortly before noon when he attempted to cross from south to north. He was held at various Japanese posts and a Chinese assistant, who was with him at the time of his arrest, was alleged to have been badly beaten by the Japanese.

Put In Cell

Mr. Dalton, it was reported, had forgotten that the Chapoo Road bridge was not open for ordinary motor traffic and as he was carrying a Chinese passenger, who had taken the place of his regular assistant and who had no pass to enter Japanese controlled territory north of the creek, it was thought that he was attempting to smuggle a Chinese into the area.

Mr. Dalton and his companion were then taken to various posts and in spite of many requests the former was not allowed to telephone. In addition, it is alleged that during this time the Chinese companion received a beating from the sentries, causing his wrist to be broken.

At the Haining Road station Mr. Dalton was at first allowed to sit outside a cell where his Chinese helper was placed with two Russian prisoners. Subsequently he was forced to go inside the cell and there he remained for two hours.

Fortunately Mr. Dalton was noticed on his way to the Haining Road station by a member of the S.M.P. and investigations were begun by H. M. Consulate-General and the Settlement Police with the result that Mr. Dalton was transferred to the Japanese Naval Landing Party Headquarters in Kiangwan Road. At 5.30 p.m. he was finally released. The Chinese, who was released also, had to be sent to hospital.

Arab Attitude Now Much Clarified

Anti-Mufti Campaign Shows Alignment Over British Proposals

Jerusalem, Dec. 6.

The recent campaign here against the Grand Mufti and extremism, launched by Fakri Mashashibi and supported by a few Arab moderate elements, has resulted in uniting the Arab nationalist claims and inciting many independent organizations to declare themselves in support of the former Arab Supreme Council.

British authorities noted practically unanimous agreement that the Grand Mufti and members of the Arab Supreme Council be designated as representatives of the Arab people at the Round Table Conference in London next month.

Governments of Arab countries interested in a settlement of the Arab-Jewish conflict have asked for certain assurances from the British Government before appointing their delegations.

They demanded, in particular, that London make known the general basis of the negotiations which are to open to settle the differences between the Arabs and the Jews.

Iraq, Egypt and Saudi Arabia are keeping in close touch with each other and have expressed the desire to adopt a common attitude.—Havas.

Armed Robberies Occupy Police Attention

Bandits Make Away With $1,700 Last Night

Three armed robberies, during which it is estimated that a total of $1,760 was stolen in money, jewellery and clothing, occupied the attention of the Settlement Police last night, but at a late hour no arrests had been made, all the robbers making good their escapes before an alarm could be raised by their victims.

The first robbery occurred at 5.45 p.m. at House 7, Lane 988 Chengtu Road, when money, clothing and jewellery the value of which had not been estimated, was stolen by three men, two of whom were armed. The men, it was stated, spoke Shanghai dialect. Sinza police are in charge of the investigations.

At 6.10 p.m. money and clothing valued at $1,700 was removed from House 25, Lane 869 Shantung Road, by five men, two of whom were armed with pistols. The robbers spoke Anhwei dialect. Louza police investigated the crime.

Another robbery was committed at 8.25 when three armed men entered a shop situated at Lane 23, House 2, Medhurst Road and stole $30 in money and clothing. Gordon Road detectives were informed that the men spoke Kompo dialect. No shots were fired at any of the robberies.

Planes Sink Gunboat

Japanese naval planes raided Liuchow in Central Kiangsi on Monday and despite furious anti-aircraft fire bombed the aerodrome and a number of godowns, setting five of them on fire, according to a communiqué issued by the headquarters of the Japanese China Sea Fleet yesterday afternoon.

Another Japanese naval air squadron on a reconnaissance and bombing flight over Shiuhing in western Kwangtung sank a Chinese gunboat and a military junk, the statement said.

N.E.I. Hastens Warplane Construction

Singapore, Dec. 6.

Construction of warplanes for the Netherlands East Indies is being speeded up and the instruction of air personnel is being hastened.

This action is stated to be the result of the opinion of important defence authorities that aircraft are the most essential items of defence for the Netherlands Indies, while warships are, comparatively, unimportant.—Reuter.

Franco-German Pact Signed

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The fact that Herr von Ribbentrop's staff includes Dr. Gaus, of the legal section of the Wilhelmstrasse leads to the belief that the talks will cover much more ground than a mutual "No War" assurance.

The suggestion that Herr von Ribbentrop will be asked, as a condition for France's signature, for the disavowal by Germany of support of Italian irredentism on the Continent, in the Mediterranean, and in Africa, can be discounted, according to official circles in Paris.—Reuter.

Air Pact Envisaged

Paris, Dec. 6.

A Franco-German agreement settling the Spanish problem, dealing with an air pact, and solving the economic problem between the two countries, is to be expected shortly.

Such an agreement is likely to materialize despite the several difficulties still to be smoothed out before Franco-German understanding is made complete.

So stated M. Jules Sauerwein, Diplomatic Editor of the "Paris Soir," in a special article yesterday evening.

He claimed to have information regarding Paris and Berlin intentions to extend and detail three of the points specified in the joint Declaration to be signed here this afternoon.

He asserted that the French and German Governments were likely to attempt, with the aid of Herr Gauss, legal expert of the Wilhelmstrasse, to reach an agreement upon these three points.

Military Pact May Follow

Settlement of the air pact question might involve a military pact later on, he added. Solution of the economic problem would aim to increase Franco-German trade, which to the present time has been hindered by import quotas.

Main obstacles impeding progress towards such an agreement, M. Sauerwein continued, were the Italian attitude today and existing Franco-Soviet relations.

Dealing with the Italian attitude, he pointed out that the Reich's Press has to date refrained from supporting Rome's new "claims" upon Tunisia and Corsica. Authoritative German quarters have even voiced dissatisfaction with these "claims."

Dealing with Soviet Russia, he wrote, "There will be no difficulty in proving that we are not entering a coalition against Russia when we aim at appeasement with Germany."

Meanwhile, the Berlin correspondent of the "Paris Soir" reported that he also understood that the Franco-German Declaration being signed today "might be supplemented and enlarged."

Recognition of Frontiers

Mutual recognition of the existing frontiers and pledges for consultations in any dispute, are provided for in the Franco-German Declaration to be signed at the Quai d'Orsay at 3.30 o'clock this afternoon, it was confirmed early this morning.

There is a reserve clause dealing with each of the signatories' "special relations" with third Powers, such as France's relations with Soviet Russia or Germany's with Italy.

The text of the Declaration, it was stated, would be published today immediately after its signature.

Authoritative quarters took the opportunity to point out once again that this document of friendship originated in the mid-October farewell meeting between Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler and the French Ambassador, M. Andre Francois-Poncet, now envoy in Rome, who was then leaving Germany.

The Reich's Ambassador here, Count Johannes von Welczeck, soon after informed the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, of Germany's full agreement to the signature of a Declaration similar to that concluded by Herr Hitler and the British Prime Minister in Munich on September 30.

On November 23, this decision was formally ratified by the French Cabinet.

Britain Kept Informed

M. Bonnet informed Sir Eric Phipps, British Ambassador to France, of French intentions in this matter right after the interview between the Fuehrer and M. Francois-Poncet. He informed Sir Eric again immediately upon receipt of the Reich's agreement to the conclusion of the Declaration, on November 7.

The British Government approved of these Franco-German intentions and encouraged Paris to continue efforts towards appeasement.

Franco-German negotiations were carried on smoothly throughout their duration, authoritative quarters now point out. Never were colonial claims or the question of a Press agreement brought up at the parleys.

No concrete results are to be expected immediately from the negotiations to be opened today after the signature of the Declaration by M. Bonnet and Herr von Ribbentrop.

"Only an improvement of the general atmosphere between France and Germany is to be awaited," it is declared.—Havas.

Supreme Court Denies Writ to Mooney

Washington, Dec. 6.

The Supreme Court today denied Thomas Mooney permission to file a suit for an original writ of habeas corpus. Once before, in January, 1935, the Supreme Court denied an application for an original writ of habeas corpus, intimating that until it was convinced that Mooney had exhausted all available remedies in the state courts the Supreme Court could not intervene.—United Press.

Kuling Residents Unable to Depart

Chinese Refuse Permission To Leave Mountain Resort; Further Efforts Made

Kiukiang, Dec. 6.

The expected evacuation of the Kuling summer resort by about 30 foreigners failed to materialize today when Chinese military authorities on Mount Lushan refused to permit them to come down.

The Chinese authorities refused to allow them to leave on the grounds that they could not understand the meaning of a telegram from Nationalist Government officials which was said to have given permission for the trip, according to Japanese authorities here. The message was brought here by a British gunboat.

Lieut. J.M.S. Cox, of the British gunboat Cockchafer, who went to a point half way up the mountain yesterday to meet the party of foreigners, returned here today without them.

British and American officers are going up the mountain tomorrow to renew negotiations with the Chinese authorities. If they are successful, the party of foreigners who have been marooned in Kuling for many months may come down on Thursday or Friday.

Japanese Preparations

Special preparations had been made by the Japanese authorities today to receive the foreigners, who were expected to arrive here about noon following repeated negotiations by Japanese, British and American authorities.

A passenger boat had been held in readiness for the party. British and American authorities were said to be indignant over the action of the Chinese in withholding permission for the trip after a date had been set.

Reports received here said the real motive of the Chinese in withholding permission for the journey was their desire to play for time to increase their own chances of safety by keeping the foreigners on the mountain as "hostages."

It was pointed out that two coolies sent to Kuling several days ago by British authorities were being detained there. Many foreigners in the summer resort were said to have expressed a desire to leave and the Chinese authorities were reported to be trying to keep them there by every possible means.

British and American naval officers were conferring on possible future action to gain the removal of the foreigners. Japanese authorities continued to make preparations to facilitate the journey.—Domei.

Orange Peel Causes Chungking Problem

Streets Littered with Remains

Chungking, Dec. 6.

The delicious Szechuen orange is becoming a public nuisance here.

The orange is so delicious and cheap in Szechuen (165 oranges for one dollar) and is also such a favourite winter fruit of the local populace that Chungking streets are littered with orange peel.

Municipal authorities here announce that a large portion of the city refuse consists of orange peel which is presenting a serious problem to the city's street cleaners.

Therefore, the authorities are urging the public not to throw orange peel in the streets.—Reuter.

Statement on Japanese China Policy Due

Prince Konoye Expected to Speak on December 11

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

A fundamental policy for a readjustment of Sino-Japanese relations, which was decided upon at a conference in the presence of the Emperor on November 30, will be outlined by the Premier, Prince Ayamaro Konoye, in a speech at the Nakanoshima Public Hall in Osaka at 7 o'clock on December 11.

The Premier's address will be broadcast over Station JOAK on a nation-wide hook-up. Prince Konoye will go to Kyoto on that day to attend memorial services for Emperor Komei, father of Emperor Meiji, founder of modern Japan.—Domei.

Lithuanian Killed By Memel Germans

Kaunas, Dec. 6

A Lithuanian named Jonushys is reported to have been killed today by two Memel Germans when he refused to reply to the Nazi salute.—Reuter.

Security Bills Withdrawn

Kaunas, Dec. 6.

The Lithuanian Government has withdrawn its security bills from Parliament to avoid complications regarding Memel affairs.

Under the bills, approved by the Government in principle on October 15 and subsequently protested against by the Memel Diet, the Lithuanian Home Minister and the Governor of Memel would possess the widest powers, similar to those hitherto exercised by the military commander.—Reuter.

Four Shops Involved In Night Blaze

Four shops were seriously damaged during a fire which spread with amazing rapidity on Singapore Road last night. The outbreak occurred at a scutching shop situated at 715 Singapore Road and quickly spread to an electrical shop next door. From there the flames attacked a tailor's premises in the row, finally ending at a carpenter's shop.

Engines from the Ichang Road station turned out in response to an alarm and were at the scene of the outbreak for one hour and a half before the flames were brought under control.

The result of the fire was that No. 715 was badly damaged, the electrical shop damaged on the roof and first floor, and the tailor's and carpenter's premises slightly damaged by flames and water.

Octogenarian's Decree Nisi Made Absolute

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 6.

The decree nisi, granted Sir Frank Swettenham, octogenarian ex-Colonial administrator, last May, has been made absolute. The decree dissolves a marriage, which has lasted sixty years.

Sir Frank Swettenham's decree was the last in the first series of insanity cases under the recent Herbert Act, which extends the grounds for divorce by including desertion for three years, cruelty and habitual drunkenness and incurable insanity of at least five years' duration.—Reuter.

Giant German Condor Plane Crashes

(Continued from page 5)

officials that they would attempt to land at the Nielson airfield as they were within ten miles of this point.

They failed to show up at 4.30 p.m. and they also did not respond to radio messages sent by the Nielson airport. The airport officials immediately sent planes aloft to start a search for the missing Condor.

First reports of the crash were received from Captain Lewis, and arrangements were immediately made to pick up the German airmen.

The crew of the Condor plane consists of Captain Alfred Henke, chief pilot; Captain Baron Rudolph von Moreau, co-pilot, Herr Paul Dierberg and Herr Walter Kober, radio operators, and Herr George Kohme, mechanic.—United Press.

Souvenir Hunters Busy

Manila, Dec. 6.

It is reported that Filipino souvenir hunters have stripped the partially-submerged 'plane, taking away cushions, clocks, whisky and even the plane's log.

Starting on its leisurely return journey to Berlin, the Condor plane hopped off from Tokyo at 5.37 this morning. The plane was due back in Berlin by December 17.

After visiting Manila, the plane was to have proceeded to Batavia, where it was to remain for two days, before flying to Berlin via Bangkok and Basra.—Reuter.

Manchoukuo Notes Are Restricted

Travellers Can Carry Only Limited Quantities

Peiping, Dec. 6.

The Manchoukuo Government has lately imposed restrictions on the amount of Manchoukuo Central Bank notes to be carried by travellers entering North China. The amount allowed for each traveller at present is $500, whereas formerly the amount was $1,000, according to the Tientsin "Yung Pao."

It is stated that the Manchoukuo government took this step in order to assist the North China authorities in making Federal Reserve Bank notes the sole circulating medium in North China.

The new restrictions will cut the amount of Manchoukuo notes in circulation by half, and those already in circulation will be gradually redeemed by branches of the Manchoukuo Central Bank in North China.

Japanese, Korean, Mengchiang, East Hopei and Hopei provincial banks are redeeming their notes with Federal Reserve Bank notes.—Reuter.

Japanese Menace in Canada Refuted

"Not a Serious Problem In British Columbia"

Ottawa, Dec. 6.

The Japanese population in Canada, viewed by some circles with concern, cannot be considered a menace in British Columbia, nor even a serious problem, according to the reports of investigators.

In an exhaustive study, entitled "The Japanese Canadians," three authors—Mr. Charles Young, an expert on foreign populations in Western Canada; Dr. Helen R. Y. Reid, prominent social worker, and Professor W. A. Carruthers, former chairman of the economic council of British Columbia—reached the conclusion that, even if 50 immigrants continue to arrive annually as they do under a present agreement with Japan, they will not add materially to the population growth of Japanese in British Columbia.—Reuter.

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Britain Would Go To Aid Colonies

Prime Minister Tells Commons Position in War; Dominions Stand

London, Dec. 6

"I am sure I am rightly interpreting the wishes of the people of this country if I say that if any other part of the British Commonwealth is attacked, we should without hesitation go to its aid," declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, in the House of Commons yesterday, in answer to a question by Mr. Arthur Henderson, Labour leader, and member for the Kingswinford Division of Staffordshire.

Mr. Henderson asked whether Mr Chamberlain was aware of the recent declaration by General J. B. M. Hertzog, the Prime Minister of the Union of South Africa, to the effect that each Dominion could do as it liked in the event that Great Britain were involved in a war.

The Premier added that he had seen a brief press report of General Hertzog's statement, and the general position was that it was a matter for each member of the Commonwealth to decide the extent to which it would participate in any war in which another member of the Commonwealth was engaged.—Reuter.

Daughter of Ex-Envoy To China to Wed

Miss Knatchbull-Hugessen To Marry Mr. G. P. Young

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 6.

The engagement is announced of Mr. George Peregrine Young, formerly Second Secretary to H. M. Embassy in China, and recently transferred, to Elisabeth, elder daughter of Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen, former British Ambassador to China, and Lady Knatchbull-Hugessen.

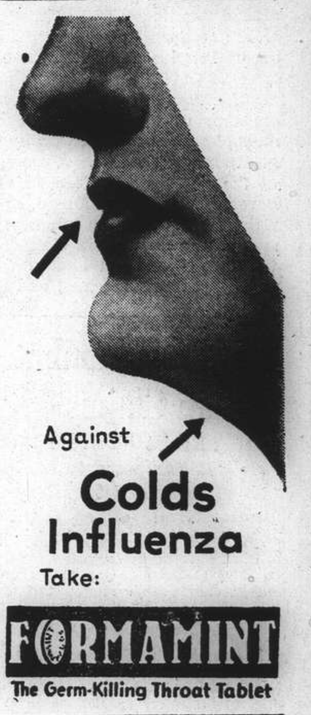
Mr. Young recently arrived in England after relinquishing his post with the British Embassy in China.

The wedding will take place in March.—Reuter.

Wounded Civilian Dies After Guerrilla Attack

It was reported last night that one of the five Chinese who arrived in Shanghai on Monday evening aboard the German ss. Hansi which picked them up at Sa Tsang Ying Tso, a small fishing village near the Tsungming Islands, where they were wounded when Chinese guerrillas attacked Japanese military posts there, died in the Police Hospital.

Bringing graphic stories of the fighting between the guerrillas and the Japanese three of the men were removed to the Police Hospital and two to St. Luke's Hospital. Accompanying the men was also a corpse, presumably for burial in the city.



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FROM DAY TO DAY

FRIENDS of Mrs. E. H. Adams will be glad to know that she is now convalescent and is leaving the Country Hospital today.

ALL members of "The Keys" are asked to attend the business meeting which takes place at 5.30 p.m. today at the Y.W.C.A., 999 Bubbling Well Road.

A SET of Christmas cards, representing Chinese junk scenes by Capt. S. P. Jorgensen, has been received at this office. These excellently designed cards are on sale at Messrs. Kelly & Walsh Ltd.

ACCORDING to a telegram from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at Oslo to the Norwegian Legation here, the funeral of Her late Majesty Queen Maud of Norway will take place tomorrow at Our Saviours Cathedral in Oslo.

DR. Tang Erh-ho, Minister of Education of the Peiping "Provisional Government," has been appointed concurrently the President of the National University of Peiping, one of the leading higher educational institutions in North China.

A SUM of $300,000 has been sent by the Central Government to the Shansi, Hopei and Suiyuan Chinese authorities through the Ministry of Finance for refugee relief purposes, in view of the great numbers of destitute in those areas, says the "Yi Pao."

THE Hankow "Sao Tang Pao," official mouthpiece of the Chinese Army, says a report to the "Ta Ying Yeh Pao," will resume publication on December 10 in Kweilin, capital of Kweichow province. The Chungking publication of the "Sao Tang Pao" will continue to be published as usual.

A MEETING demonstrating support of General Chiang Kai-shek was held in Changchih on November 28, says the "Chinese American Daily News." More than 30,000 people, representing civilian and public organisations in the Shansi 5th War Zone, attended the meeting, following which there was a 5-mile parade through the city.

THE Kuomintang are taking into consideration the proposal from the Chinese Communist Party that joint committees be organised among the Kuomintang and Communist Party members for deliberations, says the "Ta Wan Pao." Other Chinese political parties will also be admitted to participate in the deliberations, the report states.

THE cotton crop in Chekiang has been very good this year, says a report to the "Yi Pao," but no cotton will be exported in view of the blockade of the Chekiang ports. Local Chinese cotton textile merchants are sending representatives to negotiate with the Ningpo Garrison authorities for permission to export cotton from Chekiang, the report adds.

COMMISSIONER Alfred J. Benwell, of the Salvation Army, will lecture today at 5.30 p.m. on "Present Day Activities of the Salvation Army," at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. The speaker will pay particular attention to the work of the Army in Shanghai and other parts of China. Commissioner Benwell, who has just rounded out 50 years of Army work, arrived here from the North last Sunday. The lecture will be open to the public.

THE establishment of a branch in Kunming, Yunnan, of the Southwest Economic Co-operation Committee is being planned, says a report to the "Wen Wei Pao." The Committee, which it is hoped will function shortly, will carry out wartime measures and measures to increase the agricultural production of Yunnan province. Plans include the allotting of a *mow* of arable farm land to each farmer, who will be allowed to cultivate it and reap the harvests for himself, the report adds.

THE Overseas Chinese Affairs Commission of the National Government, says a report to the "Wen Wei Pao," has requested that in future overseas Chinese address their remittances to Hongkong through Chinese Government banks. The Ministry of Finance, the report adds, has also instructed the Hongkong branches of the Farmers Bank of China, the Bank of China, the Central Bank of China and the Bank of Communications to receive overseas Chinese remittances on behalf of the Fukien Provincial Government. The Fukien Provincial Bank has also been instructed to establish a branch office in the Colony.

PRECEDING Mr. Barton's Organ Recital in the Cathedral this evening, the Dean and Mrs. Trivett will be at home in the Deanery to members of the Cathedral congregation and friends. Tea will be served from 4.30 p.m. onward. The recital in the Cathedral will commence at 5.45 p.m. and will last for approximately one hour. The recital will consist of organ works by Rheinberger, Geoffrey Shaw, and Bach. Mr. Livshitz (of the Municipal Orchestra), accompanied by Mr. Singer on the piano, will play violin works by Tartini and Beethoven. A collection will be taken on behalf of the Organ Fund.

THE programme for the tenth Sunday Symphony Concert in the Lyceum Theatre, on Sunday, December 11, at 5.15 p.m., is as follows:—

Symphony in C major
G. B. Sammartini-Torrefranca (1700-1775)
Allegro assai
Andante
Allegrissimo
(First Performance in Shanghai)
Violin-Concerto with Orchestra
(in one movement) ....N. Paganini (1784-1840)
Soloist: Prof. Arrigo Foa
Symphonic Suite: "La Pisanella"
Ildebrando Pizzetti (B. 1880)
from the music written for the drama by Gabriele D'Annunzio.
In the Palace of the Latin King of Cypre
On the Quay of the Port of Famagousta
At the Castle of the Merciless Queen
The Dance of the Hawk
The Dance of Love, or of the Fragrant Death
(First Performance in Shanghai)
Trittico Botticelliano .....O. Respighi (1870-1936)
"Three Botticellian Paintings"
La Primavera (Spring)
L'Adorazione dei Magi (Homage of the Magi)
La Nascita di Venere (Birth of Venus)
Symphonic Suite: "La Giara"
(The Jar) .....Alfedo Casella (B. 1883)
from the Music for the Ballet, based on the Novel by Luigi Pirandello)
Prelude
Sicilian Dance
The Tale of the Maiden abducted by the Pirates (with Tenor-Solo)
Dance of Nela
Drinking Song
Dance and Finale

China Buys British Railway Material

Huge Orders Placed in London for 1,000-Mile System in Hinterland

London, Dec. 6.

Considerable orders have already been placed with British engineering firms by the Chinese Government Purchasing Commission, and still larger orders are expected in the not distant future, for the railway development of western China, according to reliable circles here today.

The Chinese Government is said to have planned a 1,000-mile railway system for western China, and work on part of this line is reported to have already begun.

A firm in Leeds has received an order for 850 steel side-tip wagons, while another order is for 25 miles of rails for construction work.

The first part of the new railway system, Reuter learns, will link up Yunnanfu, Talifu and beyond.

Interviewed by Reuter, a Chinese railway official said that the country was difficult, but not worse than the territory traversed by the southern portion of the Canton-Hankow line.

Chinese More Optimistic

A new tone of optimism is distinctly perceptible in Chinese circles here.

One high Chinese official, interviewed by Reuter, said: "No one believed that we could keep going for more than twelve months. We ourselves did not believe it, and thought that after one year, if no help came from abroad, we would be forced to capitulate to Japan.

"Now we are sure we can go on indefinitely if only we receive very little help from others. Szechuen alone has 50,000,000 people and huge natural resources. We do not fear difficulty in raising the necessary money."—Reuter.

Many Bund Loafers in Police Custody

Well Organized Gangs of Racketeers Broken Up

In a determined effort to stamp out the loafer plague on the Bund numerous police parties have been active since Sunday evening, rounding up men, women and children who derive their livelihood by stealing lose cotton, rice and coal to the detriment of shippers and merchants.

Some 50 loafers were thus brought before the First Special District Court yesterday and each was given a sentence of three days detention. Yesterday, police parties under Inspectors F. V. Collison and J. M. Watson rounded up an additional 63 up to 5 p.m. and it was presumed that many more would be sent to court before the present round-up is concluded.

As will be recalled, these loafers have given constant work to the police ever since the commencement of local hostilities when much of the loading and unloading of coastal and river steamers was confined to the Bund. The loafers in question usually are well organized and dispose of their loot to fences who pay them very low prices. The racketeers have perfected their trade to such an extent that special instruments have been elaborated which are used for piercing rice-bags and which permit the filling of a smaller bag in a matter of seconds.

Children usually confine their activities to running behind cotton-laden trucks and to grap as much as they can of this commodity. Subsequently the loot is pooled and dispoesd of within a short time.

In the evening hours especially, when rice is being transported from lighters unto lorries, racketeers are busy. Whilst children confine their activities to collecting the rice that falls on the pavement from torn bags, the grown-ups, with their instruments, have done so much damage, that several complaints have been received by the police in recent times.

It is believed that well over 200 persons will have been arrested before tonight, thus again ridding Shanghai's waterfront of a nuisance which is but the outcome of prevailing conditions.

Another 50 arrests were made last night the "North-China Daily News" was informed at a late hour, and it is understood that the suspects will be charged with receiving stolen property, loitering, robbery and other counts.

During the arrests of the men several hide-outs, where the looted goods were stored, were discovered and more arrests are expected after the detained suspects have been questioned.

Changsha Residents Ask For Compensation

"Scorched Earth" Policy Bitterly Denounced

Bitterly denouncing the "scorched earth" policy of the Nationalist Government, a circular telegram was issued by 24 public organizations of Changsha headed by the Changsha Citizens' Federation strongly protesting against the recent deliberate burning of thousands of houses in that city by the Nationalist forces prior to their withdrawal, a Chinese report said yesterday.

After making great sacrifices for the Nationalist régime in the Sino-Japanese conflict, the Hunanese were made to suffer through the destruction of their property, the telegram was reported to have said.

The message also asked how the sufferers in the disastrous fires in Changsha would be compensated, the report added.

Six Fall Into River As Sampan Capsizes

Four Chinese men, a woman and a child were rushed to the Lester Chinese Hospital at 3.15 o'clock yesterday afternoon after their sampan had capsized near the Customs Jetty. None of them appeared to be the worse for their experience and were expected to be released from the hospital this morning. The sampan however could not be salvaged notwithstanding the efforts made by nearby laodahs who managed to save the crew.

Chinese Ambassador at White House

Dr. Hu Shih, new Chinese Ambassador to the United States, shown (left) with Mr. George T. Summerlin, Chief of the Protocol Division of the State Department, before he presented his credentials.

Unprecedented Will Case in H.M. Supreme Court

Woman Believed Missing in Bombing of Sincere Store Last Year; Death to Be Proved by Executor

DESCRIBED as an unprecedented case which had occurred under exceptional circumstances, a motion was brought before Judge Sir Allan Mossop, in H.M. Supreme Court for China yesterday, arising out of the will of Mrs. Kwei Ch'in Pritchard, widow of a former member of the Shanghai Municipal Police, who was presumed to have been killed when an aerial bomb burst in the Sincere Store on Nanking Road on August 23. In court it was explained that Mrs. Pritchard, who had gone shopping on that date and had not been seen or heard of since, had made a will appointing Robert Theodore Hartley, who died on October 10, 1937, her executor.

The motion, therefore, was brought by Mr. J. E. Badeley, representing Mr. Edward Gossett, executor of the will of the late Mr. Hartley and an order was asked that leave be given to swear the death of Mrs. Pritchard as having occurred on or since August 23, 1937 and that a grant of letters of administration with will annexed of the estate of Mrs. Pritchard might be made under section 162 of the Supreme Court of Judicature (Consolidation) Act 1925 as amended by section 9 of the Administration of Justice Act 1928 to Edward Gossett upon the filing of a petition and administrator's oath and upon proof of the due execution of the will. The motion concluded by asking that the costs of and incidental to the motion be taxed as between solicitor and client and paid out of the estate of the deceased.

Outlining his case, Mr. Badeley explained that Mrs. Kwei Ch'in Pritchard, formerly of 350 Pingliang Road, was last seen or heard of on August 23, 1937. She was the widow of a British subject, Harry Pritchard, formerly of the Shanghai Municipal Police, and later housekeeper to the late Robert Theodore Hartley, who was bed-ridden through illness for several years and resided with him at 350 Pingliang Road.

On August 21 Mr. Hartley was evacuated from that address and taken in an ambulance to the Country Hospital where he remained until his death on October 10, 1937. On August 22 Mrs. Pritchard stayed at 214 Avenue Haig and she was given a cheque for $100 by Mr. Hartley. On the following morning, accompanied by a Chinese servant, she went out for the purpose of purchasing clothes and had not been seen or heard of since.

Bomb Explosion

At 1 p.m. on that day, Mrs. Badeley continued, there was an explosion of a bomb in the Sincere Store in Nanking Road and as she did not come back to 214 Avenue Haig that night or on the following day enquiries were instituted at the Bubbling Well Police station by Mr. W. C. Johnstone. Advertisements were inserted in local newspapers on Mr. Hartley's instructions.

Mrs. Pritchard left a will, stated Mr. Badeley, in which she appointed Mr. Hartley, or should he predecease her, Sub-Inspector D. Cormie, of the Shanghai Municipal Police, to be her executor. In the will there was a bequest to "my so-called sister known as Ah Kee." Enquiries had been made but it had been impossible to locate the latter person and, as far as could be ascertained, she was not a relative of Mrs. Pritchard.

The estate left by Mrs. Pritchard consisted of about $1,000 in silver, a cash box containing various articles of jewellery, the sum of $433 in a savings bank account with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in the joint names of herself and the late Mr. Hartley, £237.4.11 and $276.26 on savings bank accounts with the Hongong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, thirty $50 preference shares in the Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co. Ltd., twenty five 6 per cent. preference shares in the Shanghai Power Co. and $1,030 on fixed deposit with the Wing On & Co. Ltd., and Sincere Co. Ltd.

The Estate

By the will the residue of the estate, subject to the bequests stated therein, was left to her executor and it was submitted by Mr. Badeley, who quoted several authorities, that the rule that there was a presumption that a legacy to an executor was made to him in that capacity did not apply to a gift of the residue and that the residue of the estate of the deceased passed to the estate of the late Robert Theodore Hartley notwithstanding that he did not prove the will of deceased.

Mr. Badeley then read a statement made by Mr. Edward Gossett of the Burlington Hotel, in which it was stated that he was the executor in respect of the China estate of Robert Theodore Hartley, a grant of Probate of whose will and the Codicil thereto was made by the Court on December 8, 1937.

He had known the late Mr. Hartley for several years and was also acquainted with Mrs. Pritchard. On February 3 a grant of letters of administration of the estate of the late Mr. Pritchard was made to Mrs. Pritchard by the Court in which the estate was sworn at £598. 1. 6., the gross value of the estate being Tls. 3,431.65 and the deductions allowed, Tls. 517.16, leaving a net estate of Tls. 2914.49 taels or approximately $4,000.

Mr. Hartley, continued the statement, was very friendly with Mrs. Pritchard and gave her various jewellery and presents. He also bequeathed her a substantial legacy in his will and to the best of his (Mr. Grossett's) knowledge all the property belonging to her with the exception of such sum as represented her husband's estate was received by her from him.

Mr. William Charles Johnstone, of the Public Works Dept. in a statement made on oath said that he had known the late Mr. Hartley. He normally resided in the Wayside district but on the outbreak of hostilities had moved to 214 Avenue Haig. On August 22, Mrs. Pritchard came to stay at that address but on Monday August 23 she did not return to the house at all. As the women residing in the house were alarmed at her disappearance he went to Bubbling Well Police station to make enquiries. Nothing further, however, was heard. It was his belief that she had lost her life in the explosion at the Sincere Co. on Nanking Road.

A similar view was expressed by Mrs. Rosie Johnstone, of 214 Avenue Haig, who stated that on the morning of August 23 Mrs. Pritchard, accompanied by a Chinese boy, went out to buy some clothes and asked them to keep lunch ready for her. At 1 p.m. on that day a bomb exploded in the Sincere Co. and she did not return. It had since been established that the cheque for $100 had been cashed at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation's temporary office at 1288 Bubbling Well Road during the morning of August 23, but it had not been possible to obtain any information from any one who saw or spoke to either her or the boy subsequent to that time.

Onus of Proof

During legal arguments connected with the case, Mr. Badeley stated in court that the case was one for which there was no precedent. The circumstances were exceptional, indeed they were very exceptional.

The Judge pointed out that it would have to be shown that Mrs. Pritchard predeceased Mr. Hartley, and Mr. Badeley's client had the onus of proving that her death took place before October 10. He had to show not only that this person died but died before a certain date. He added that he would consider the matter and let Mr. Badeley know when he could give a decision. Mr. Victor Priestwood, Crown Advocate, appeared on behalf of the Crown.

Bankers Investigate China's Southwest

Tremendous Natural Riches To Be Exploited

Four members of a Chinese official touring party to the southwest have returned to Shanghai after four months' travelling in the southwestern provinces where Chinese authorities are planning to carry out a gigantic industrial and economic reconstruction plan to prolong the hostilities. These four members are all bankers who will compile a written report for the reference of the Government.

The party was organized some months ago in Chungking jointly by officials of the Military Affairs Council, Ministry of Economics and other Government offices and universities and banks. Under the leadership of Ching Kuo-pao, the party left Kungming in July of this year travelling through Szechwan, Sikong, Kansu, Shensi, Yunan and Kweichow.

According to one of the four members who have returned to Shanghai, the natural resources in the southwestern provinces are numerous. Their richness is said to be beyond the imagination of those living in Central China. Handicapped by poor communications people have paid little attention to the vast country but he is glad that the Government has decided to exploit these natural resources so that the country will be kept constantly supplied with materials during the national crisis.

The party has just completed the useful trip and through its leader a written proposal to the Government as to the best methods of exploitation will be submitted. The party's leader will not do so unless he has received reports from other members of the party. The report of the Shanghai members is being made and it will be ready for publication in a fortnight's time.

Suez Canal Facts Told Commons

Ten British Directors Each with 100 Shares; Big Dividends Paid

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 6.

The following information regarding the administration of the Suez Canal was given by Sir John Simon, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, at question time in the House of Commons yesterday.

There are seven British directors of the Canal, apart from three British Government directors.

All except the Government appointees are elected by share-holders on nomination by the Board.

When a vacancy occurs among unofficial British directors, the name of the successor is customarily submitted by the remaining unofficial directors.

Each director holds 100 shares, and the British Government holds 353,504 shares.

There are altogether 800,000 shares, and no shareholder is entitled to more than ten votes.

The shares purchased in 1876 by the Treasury numbered 176,602, of the nominal value of 500 francs each, and, the cost at the old par exchange of 25.2, was £4,076,622 sterling.

The dividend received in 1935 was £2,449,000, in 1936, £2,248,000, and in 1937, £1,975,000, all in sterling.

The percentage of the last three amounts to the costs in sterling respectively were 50.1, 43.2 and 48.5.—Reuter.

"The China Journal"

Inspired by Sir Frederick Maze's presentation of model Chinese junks to the South Kensington Science Museum, Mr. H. Crozier Faulder has written a most interesting article on "Chinese Model Junks", illustrated by photographs taken by himself, for the Christmas Number of "The China Journal." Mr. Faulder admits, however, in his first paragraph that the perfection of Sir Frederick's models is normally impossible to obtain in the average model junk as it is only when models are of the size of those which have left China for South Kensington that it is possible to include every detail and to have it to scale. Another article is by the Rev. W. H. Hudspeth, "On the Edge of Mongolia," well illustrated by photographs of lamas, Mongol women, and camels, lamaseries and tents. Mr. Hans Liu continues "Hainan—the Island and the People"—also illustrated. "Nature in a Shanghai Garden" by Mr. Arthur de C. Sowerby will, with its flower photography, make any reader long for spring. For sportsmen there is "A Shooting Trip in the Old Imperial Hunting Grounds" by Mr. G. D. Wilder, with appropriate photographs. "Chinese Language Development and the Influence of Foreign Invasion" by Mr. Harry Paxton Howard; "A Year of Great Changes in China's Economy and Finance," by Mr. John Ahlers, photographs of Giant Pandas in their cages on the way to London; and the particularly attractive frontispiece, "The Lone Ape in the Snow", from the original by the late Ko Kei-fung, a modern painter in the old Chinese style, together with all the informative and entertaining matter which is to be found regularly in the pages of "The China Journal" help to complete a very satisfactory Christmas Number.

Grass-Field Fire Proves Difficult Job for Brigade

A fire broke out shortly after 1.30 o'clock yesterday morning on a field of dry grass on North Baikal Road west of Thorburn Road. Machines from Yangtzepoo Fire Station answered the call and worked for over an hour before the blaze, which was threatening a few small houses in the vicinity, was under control.

Japanese Bus Conductors Reported Missing

Two 17-year-old Japanese male bus conductors, employed by the Central China Urban Motor Transport Company, a subsidiary of the Central China Development Company, were reported missing yesterday, according to the Japanese press. They were said to have disappeared on November 17.

Their names were given as Kazuo Tenmei and Shomatsu Sano.

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Japanese Refuse to Issue Permits

The Japanese naval spokesman yesterday stated definitely that the authorities would refuse to issue landing permits to foreigners who desired to travel to Hankow and Yangtze ports in foreign men-of-war which are to replace the downcoming vessels. The area was considered vital to the conduct of military operations, he added, as a specific reason for refusal. Wives of men stationed upriver also would not be permitted to land, but the Japanese would extend every facility to those who desired to leave that area.

Hankow Governor Nearly Killed

Assassin Wounds Head of Peace Commission During Night Attack

Hankow, Dec. 6.

Mr. Chi Kuo-chen, chairman of the Peace Maintenance Commission here, narrowly missed assassination early this morning when he was attacked by an unidentified assailant while asleep in his home in the former British Concession, now known as S.A.D. 3. Mrs. Chi was also wounded.

Taking advantage of the pitch darkness, caused by a stoppage of electricity brought about by a lack of coal the assailant penetrated into the Chi family bedroom at about 2 o'clock this morning. He was described by Mr. Chi as being masked.

The attacked couple called for help as they heard the intruder, who pounced on them with a dagger. Mr. Chi suffered a cash, four centimetres in length and five centimetres deep below his right ear, while his wife was slashed across the cheek by the assailant who fled. Surgeons said Mr. and Mrs. Chi's injuries would heal in two weeks.—Domei.

Japan's Birth Rate Falls

Statistics Given for Past Three Summer Months

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

The birth rate in Japan Proper for the three months of April, May and June of this year, was lower than that for the same period in 1937, according to figures released today by the Cabinet Statistics Bureau.

According to the statistics, there were 401,605 births during that period this year, which were fewer by 43,105 than last year while deaths, which amounted to 279,293, fell only by 2,463 below that of the corresponding period of 1937.

The increase in the birth rate over the death rate for the three-month period was 122,312, which was less by 20,643 than last year.

The total number of births for the first half of this year was 1,082,756 and the number of deaths 643,612.

This results in a natural increase in Japan's population of 448,144, the announcement said.—Reuter.

OBITUARY

Mr. William Dingle

The foreign community of Peking has suffered another severe loss in the death of Mr. William Dingle on November 20 in England. He was one of the oldest foreign residents in Peking having first settled there thirty years ago and having lived there ever since. A good Cornishman, as he was always proud of letting you know, he was born in Plymouth in 1882, and came out to China first in 1907, soon afterwards becoming manager in the Peking Electric Light Company. Later on he went into business on his own, as building contractor, coal merchant, and in later years as manufacturer and exporter of Peking carpets.

"Bill" Dingle, as he was generally known, was quite a famous Peking character, and had a host of friends among people of every nationality. He had a peculiar knowledge of the habits, customs, and ways of talk among the common people of Peking, and having also a very good memory was a walking dictionary on the lesser events and the minor personages of that city. But the chief interest in his life was the Peking Club of which he was a keen and active member. And Bill Dingle standing in the Club bar telling some anecdote of the old life in Peking was a familiar and comforting picture. "Bill" was a typical "Old China Hand," a class that is fast dying out and not being replaced. His memory will long be cherished among the large number of friends whom he had in every part of the world.—W.L.

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THE SPORTS PAGE

"Hurricane Henry" Retains His World Welterweight Title

Armstrong Scores Technical Knockout Over Manfredo In Third Round; Busy Boxing Champion

Celeveland, Dec. 5.

HENRY Armstrong, negro world lightweight and welterweight champion, continued to be the "busiest champion in the business" by successfully defending his 147-pound title for the second time in less than a fortnight when he technically knocked out Al Manfredo tonight in the third round of a planned fifteen-round bout. The little negro did not give Manfredo a change to get set. From the opening gong he rushed his bigger opponent and bombarded him with furious two-fisted barrages. Referee Tony Labranch halted the bout after one minute 45 seconds in the third round when Manfredo was helpless and at Armstrong's mercy.

"Hurricane Henry" lived up to his nickname as he waded in and shook Manfredo with a series of heavy lefts and rights. Manfredo tried to make a fight of it, but the negro kept charging and punching with unbelieveable fury.

Manfredo suffered some terrible punishment in the second round but came out quite strong in the third. Armstrong again rushed him and pounded him with hooks and straights, landing to the body and head with terrific force. Manfredo started to reel and although he tried to cover up he was forced to the ropes.

Here the muscular negro again sent in damaging jolts and with Manfredo hanging helplessly on the ropes in an effort to avoid a knockout, the referee halted the bout. Armstrong weighed 134¾ pounds and Manfredo 146.—United Press.

Lou Ambers Scores T.K.O.

Cleveland, Dec. 5.

Solly Krieger, recognized by the National Boxing Association as world middleweight champion, Lou Ambers, former world lightweight champion, featherweight titleholder, triumphed and Petey Sarron, former world tonight in the charity card arranged by local newspapers. The card was headed by the Armstrong-Manfredo bout which Armstrong won on a technical knockout in the third round.

Krieger, weighing 163 pounds, easily decisioned Carmen Barth, leading middleweight and a stablemate of Armstrong. Barth weighed 164¾ pounds.

Ambers scored a technical knockout over Frank Wallace in an overweight lightweight bout. Ambers punished Wallace so severely that the referee had to stop the bout in the sixth round. The bout was planned for ten rounds. Ambers weighed 136 pounds and his rival, 139.

Sarron had a fairly east time in hammering out a victory over Miki Gamiere in a lightweight tussle over the ten-round route. Sarron weighed 135¼ pounds and his foe 134.—United Press.

Moral Rearmament Through Sport

Statement with Important Signatures Arouses Much Interest in England

By air from England has come the text of an article on moral rearmament through sports, published in "The Times" and signed by a remarkable list of the leading men in every branch of sport.

The imposing list of signatures made a great impression in England and newspapers of every shade of opinion made more or less extensive comments on the statement. "The Times" referred to it in their leader and in the "Daily Herald", Clifford Webb writing in "As I See Sport" says: "Perhaps the most remarkable and comprehensive list of sporting signatures to any document is that attached to a statement issued today calling for 'Moral Rearmament through Sport'."

The statement follows.

Statement

Lord Baldwin and his co-signatories in a widely read letter have proclaimed their belief in the need for moral and spiritual rearmament. We, the undersigned, representing sport in various forms, feel impelled to take up that call to awaken to their responsibility individuals and nations alike, so that the spirit of national service may no longer be evoked only when war seems imminent, but may ever be active in the cause of good will, mutual understanding, and peace. In this we believe that sport, which lies close to every British heart, has a leading part to play.

High standards of sportsmanship, fair play, and clean living have a great share in the building of character and have, through sportsmen governed by these principles, been carried into the national life. They require to be carried deeper to remove dissatisfaction and the spirit of unrest and to restore to the country faith in its high mission and purpose. We believe it to be the task of sportsmen to assert the principles of sport—fitness, discipline, and team-work—so that they may become dominant in the life of the nation.

The King's Speech

His Majesty the King, speaking at Guildhall on February 17 this year, said: "We must remember, too, that in the end fitness depends on the efforts of each one of us." This is an essential truth. Moral rearmament, which is the true basis of national fitness, is an individual responsibility. Individual sportsmen, morally fit themselves, can influence the whole sporting world, and the sporting world, in turn, the life of the whole country. This will mean that fear, bitterness, jealousy, and self-indulgence—forces which make for national unfitness—will disappear, and out of our present apathy a new desire for national fitness will spring to life.

Nor is this all. Sportsmen morally rearmed will have an influence reaching far beyond their nation's boundaries. On the natural meeting grounds that sport provides they can create between all peoples, irrespective of class or creed or nationality, bonds of an unbreakable spiritual quality. It is because sportsmen know the meaning of the discipline and sacrifice which sport demands that it is up to them to give the lead in the discipline and sacrifice needed today for the restoration to Britain of her true greatness and for the creation of a new chivalry and a new spirit of unselfishness among the peoples of the world.

The statement is signed by:—

Duke of Beaufort, K.G., P.C., G.C.V.O., Master of the Horse, Master of the Beaufort.
Sir Pelham Warner, Former English Cricket Captain, Chairman Test Match Selection Committee.
H. W. Austin, British Davis Cup Team, 1929-37.
H. M. Abrahams, Captain, British Athletic Team, Olympic Games, 1928.
George Allison, Manager, Arsenal F.C.
Sir Charles Allom, Yachtsman, President of the Boat Racing Association.
John Beck, Golf, Captain, British Walker Cup Team.
Jack Beresford, Jr., British Amateur Sculling Champion, 1921-26; Olympic Sculls, 1924; Olympic Double Sculls, 1936.
Marquess of Clydesdale, A.F.C., M.P., Amateur Boxer and Airman; flew over Mount Everest, 1933.
Bernard Darwin, Golf, British Walker Cup Team.
C. A. Erhardt, Captain, British Ice Hockey Team, Olympic Games, 1936.
Captain George Eyston, Holder of World's land speed record.
B. C. Gadney, Captain, English Rugby Football Team, 1937.
Major A. T. G. Gardner, Racing Motorist.
Len Goulden, English Association Football International, West Ham United F.C.
J. L. Guise, Oxford (Captain, 1923) and Middlesex Cricketer.
E. Hapgood, English Association Football Captain, and Arsenal F.C. Captain.
Len Harvey, Former British Heavyweight Champion.
Major-General Basil Hill, C.B., D.S.O., President, Rugby Football Union.
J. B. Hobbs, Surrey and England Cricketer.
E. J. Holt, Secretary, Amateur Athletic Association.
Len Hutton, Yorkshire and England Cricketer, Holder of World's Record Test Match score.
Earl of Kimberley, C.B.E., M.C., International Polo player.
George Male, English Association Football International, Arsenal F.C.
Howard Marshall, Oxford Rugby Football XV, B.B.C. Sports commentator.
D. Maskell, Professional Lawn Tennis Champion.
P. J. Noel Baker, M.P., President, Cambridge University Athletic Club, 1910-12.
Gordon B. Peters, Scottish International Golfer, Walker Cup, 1936.
J. V. Powell, English half-miler, Olympic Games, 1936.
Gordon Richards, seven times Champion Jockey.
S. F. Rous, Secretary, Football Association.
R. J. C. Sutton, Olympic Games, 1928, 1932, 1936, Swimming and Water Polo.
W. W. Wakefield, M.P., Former English Rugby Football Captain.
S. Walker, Captain, British Rugby Team touring South Africa, 1938, Irish International.
R. A. Whitcombe, British Open Golf Champion.
Jimmy Wilde, Former Flyweight Boxing Champion of the World.
S. C. Wooderson, Long-distance Runner, Holder of World's Record for One Mile.

Big League Trading Begins in U.S.

Yankees Sitting Snugly Back with Many Aces

Chicago, Dec. 5.

Billy Lee, ace hurler of the Chicago Cubs, signed a contract today to play another season for the Bruins.

The Cubs admitted that the star pitcher signed the contract only after obtaining a "substantial increase" in salary.

The deal marked the start of the annual "Hot Stove League" trading sessions and preparation period.

While other clubs announced expected trades in the coming months before the start of the spring training season, the world champion New York Yankees sat back with the confidence of a man in a stud poker game with aces back to back, allowing the rest of the major league squads to try and fill their straights and flushes or hook two pairs or three of a kind.

What the Yanks have not got they can get from the country. The two best minor league clubs, Newark and Kansas City, are both owned by Col. Jake Ruppert, owner of the Yanks. Never in the history of baseball has one club so completely dominated the picture.

There is only one change likely to be made in the championship Yankee team outside of the box, and that is the left field. Jake Powell is "in bad" because of remarks he made over the radio in Chicago last summer and George Selkirk is too brittle for regular duty.

Prize Plums

Three of the Yanks' prize minor league plums, Charlie Keller from Newark, and Gallagher and Judnick from Kansas City, are likely to battle it out for the Yanks' left field berth. Keller, of course, is the leading candidate with most observers saying he cannot miss.

The Cubs cannot go on with their present outfit, especially after the threats made by Gabby Hartnett that he would institute a shake-up. Their outfield needs overhauling. The keystone combination of Herman and Jurges has slipped, a fact few realized until the World Series. First base remains a problem where Rip Collins, no longer a robust hitter, cannot expect to go on much longer.

The grapevine circuit here whispered today that Billy Herman may go to the Cardinals as second baseman and manager. The Cubs are eager to get Joe Medwick and/or Johnny Mize, but there appears to be little chance of the Cardinals giving up either star hitter.

Sam Breadon turned down an offer of U.S.$200,000 for Medwick from Brooklyn last July and has turned a deaf ear to Cincinnati's offer for "Jersey Joe." But when P. K. Wrigley sets his heart on getting a ball player he usually lands him and cash as bait might put Medwick into a Cub uniform before next season opens.—United Press.

America's Greatest Horse

Worm's-eye view of Charles S. Howard's mighty Seabiscuit crossing the finish line three lengths ahead of Samuel D. Riddle's famous War Admiral to win the $15,000 match race which finally decided the long-drawn-out argument over which was the greater racehorse. The thoroughbreds raced over 1 1/16 mile, with jockey Georgie Woolf keeping the winner in front most of the way. The son of Man O'War was ridden by Charley Kurtsinger. The much-publicized race was run on the Pimlico Track recently in Maryland.

Rugger Attraction Sunday

British Services' Best XV to Meet French Forces; Six Matches This Week-end; Club Teams

A HEAVY programme of rugby has been drawn up for the coming week-end: three matches on Saturday and three more on Sunday. Four Club sides as well as three British and two French Forces' teams will be seen in action and followers of the handling code are promised fine fare.

The main attraction on Saturday will be the clash of fifteens captained by A. M. Kennedy and R. H. Roe, respectively captain and vice-captain of the Rugby Club. The former's side comprises almost the entire pack of the premier Club team with the outsides drawn from the second XV, while Roe has the best backs under his command and the junior forwards. The game, which will begin at 3 p.m., should prove very close and most interesting and will doubtless serve as a final trial for places in the first fifteen.

At 2.15 p.m. the ever improving Police will meet the British Services 3rd XV in the third section of the Invitation Series of games which are now being continued after a week's lapse. The guardians of the law with their heavy and aggressive pack should to able to overcome their opponents.

In the third of Saturday's matches, the Clube "A" side are opposed by the French Forces 2nd XV at 3.30 p.m. The civilians are turning out a most useful team and although very little is known of the capabilities of the junior French aggregation, it would cause a surprise to see the Club go down, especially with the wealth of young talent observed among the outsides.

Sunday's Big Game

Sunday's big game will see the popular French Forces doing battle against the British Services' 1st XV at 3 p.m. A thoroughly fine display of high class rugger will most probably be on view and although the forceful tactics of the Frenchmen may cause upsets during the game, the British side led by Wallis, the Irish international who created such an excellent impression ten days ago against the Club, should emerge victors.

With Wallis, Kerrick, Hamlin in key positions for the Services, they ought to be able to hold their own against any local aggregation. A keen duel, however, can be confidently looked forward to between Dr. Carrel, the outstanding French forward and Wallis, and enthusiasts are advised not to miss the opportunity of seeing one of the best games of the year.

Preceding the inter-Forces game by three-quarters of an hour, Tung Wen College will endeavour to maintain their unbeaten record against the British Services 2nd XV. The Japanese have delighted spectators during the past few weeks with their speedy running and deft handling and although they may win, they are meeting the strongest opposition yet fielded against them.

SATURDAY

2.15 p.m. Police *v.* British Services 3rd XV Referee:—Rev. F. C. Matthews. (Invitation Series).
3 p.m. A. M. Kennedy's XV *v.* R. H. Roe's XV Referee:—L. W. Walkinshaw.
3.30 p.m. Club "A" XV *v.* French Forces 2nd XV Referee:—G. S. Dunkley.

SUNDAY

2.15 p.m. Tung Wen College *v.* British Services 2nd XV Referee:—D. W. Leach. (Invitation Series).
3 p.m. French Forces *v.* British Services 1st XV Referee:—G. D. Nicholl. (Invitation Series).
3.30 p.m. Club "B" XV *v.* Combined Police/Services XV Referee:—E. R. West.

Club Teams

A. M. KENNEDY'S XV:—W. P. Hetherington; I. M. Hutchison, G. M. Mills, C. T. Crowe, B. H. McMichael; A. P. D. Kennedy, B. R. Brown; W. D. Pearson, J. F. Burford, R. A. O. Mayne, A. M. Kennedy, G. G. Brown, W. J. Richmond, R. U. Reynolds and F. R. Burch.

R. H. ROE'S XV:—W. H. B. Rigg; P. J. A. Innes, R. H. Roe, A. S. Read, J. W. M. Martin; A. G. White, T. R. Basset; F. W. Dunhill, M. N. Speyer, G. A. Yanus, J. D. Sayle, P. B. Tay, J. R. W. Warner, D. M. Wheeler and W. V. K. Chadwick.

CLUB "A" XV:—R. N. Bryant; E. S. Blackwood, C. J. Guignard, G. S. Williams, E. A. J. Fabian; L. R. St. Louis, J. A. McGregor; M. O. Liddell, R. J. Lucas, A. Mabb, D. J. Boyd, J. R. Blaikie, J. March (captain), A. L. A. Bonbernard, L. D. M. Beattle.

CLUB "B" XV:—J. L. R. Mair; P. E. Young, S. J. Ward, G. E. Bennett (captain), K. Okimoto; A. Thomas, R. Dickinson; R. J. Sheppard, T. D. Adams, L. A. Komaroff, F. W. Poate, R. V. Stapleton-Cotton, F. R. L. Carey, J. W. Chapman and E. E. Hudson.

RESERVES for all games:—R. Laird, S. M. Thornley, C. H. Hodgman, P. S. Hawkins, E. Lang, H. A. Calder, F. W. Geurtz and E. G. Davis.

Those Club members, including reserve, unable to play, should communicate with Mr. A. M. Kennedy (Telephone 12830) before 5 p.m. Friday so that other arrangements may be made.

Bowling Play-off To Foreign "Y"

Marines Beaten in First Two Games; Fourth Title In a Row for Winners

Capturing two straight games from the U.S. Marines in the play-off last night at the Columbia Country Club, the Foreign Y.M.C.A. successfully retained the Inter-Club Duck Pin championship for the fourth consecutive year.

The civilians took the first game by a fair margin of 540-513 when Moseler bowled a fine 137. The "Leathernecks" failed to show their usual good form. Only Higginson, lead-off man, was able to make an impressive 125. In the second game it was again Moseler's effort by which the Marines were outscored by six pins at 548-542. The "Y" star knocked down 121 pins. Cameron, lead-off man, played no small part by tallying 120.

Past winners in the League were:

1928-30 Columbia Country Club
1931 Foreign Y.M.C.A.
1932 American Club
1933-34 Columbia Country Club
1935-38 Foreign Y.M.C.A.

Competition in the Second Division was also brought to a close as the American Club "B" defeated the Columbia Country Club seconders by three games to nothing.

The "A" team of the Columbians are present champions, having a record of 21 victories and 12 losses. They broke the Foreign "Y's" chain of successes since the junior division was inaugurated in 1934.

U.S. MARINES			
Higginson	125	111	236
Fuller	95	98	203
Fiori	83	108	186
Cushman	100	98	198
Ramsey	105	127	232
	513	542	1,055
FOREIGN Y.M.C.A.			
Cameron	99	120	219
Bardwil	100	97	197
Gonsalves	88	109	197
Moseler	137	121	258
Kohnert	116	101	217
	540	548	1,088

Basketball Helps Refugees

The helpful sum of $365.50 has been contributed to local refugee relief work by two basketball teams and the public attracted to the game they played at the Foreign "Y" last week. The United Development Club invited the 2nd Battalion, Fourth U.S. Marines, to play for charity and the gate receipts amounted to $398. After the deduction of the necessary expenses for such items as the printing of tickets and the use of the court, the remainder was turned over to the International Relief Committee which has expressed its appreciation to the players and the public.

Detroit Wants to Stage 1944 Olympics

New York, Dec. 6.

London is likely to meet with opposition in its desire to stage the 1944 Olympic Games. The American Olympic Committee has decided to support the request of Detroit City to hold the Games.—Reuter.

Week-end Football Prospects

Recs Test East Surreys; Soldiers' Attack Stronger With Changed Tactics

The fixtures issued by the Shanghai Football Association for the week-end provide for some exceedingly interesting matches, both in the Skottowe Cup match and in the Senior League. S.F.X. will do their utmost against last year's winners of the trophy, and on their showing against the Surreys first team at the Canidrome last Sunday, should, at least, extend the more fancied A.S.F. team to their limits. S.F.X seems to have struck a bad patch in the last fortnight, losing to the Police and to the Surreys in successive week-ends. As a team, they deserve more, shall we say luck? because they certainly play a good clean, sporting game, and serve up fast, entertaining football. If Endaya manages to get a couple of goals like the one he scored against the Surreys which was disallowed for offside, then the French side will have to go "all out".

In the First League encounters, not the least interesting will be the match between the Recs and the East Surrey Regiment. It was noticed at the Canidrome last Sunday morning that the Surreys adopted totally different tactics after the interval, abandoning the long swinging passes up the field in favour of, not exactly short passes, but a "cut" between the two. This policy improved the attacking prowess of the side, and seemed to hold the halves and forwards together better than in the opening stages.

Recs No Laggards

If they continue this method, spectators will see a good match, as the Surreys are a very fast-moving team. Of course, the Recs are no laggards, as witness their position in the League, and the ultimate result of this match is going to have a distinct bearing as to whether the S.R.C. or the Surreys are to prove the greater menace to the all-conquering Seaforths. Of course, everbody apparently takes the Seaforths for granted, but they must lose a match one day, for some team like P.T.H. last week, finding themselves a goal or so to the good, are going to hold on to that lead, despite the fact that the Seaforths are definitely a very strong second half team, but at the same time, this in itself is a weakness which may and will be taken advantage of by a team that will go on the field with the policy of getting one or two quick goals, not impossible, and then playing a purely defensive game, which any five forwards would find difficult to overcome.

The match between Clube Lusitano and the S.M.P. may provide the Portuguese team with their revenge for their defeat in the Skottowe Cup last week-end, but the Police are a greatly improved team and should manage to hold their end up.

To revert to Saturday's fixture between Seaforths and Tung Hwa, at the Canidrome, Tung Hwa on their display against the Rowing Club are not the force they were a few weeks ago, their shooting being their principal weakness. That is a thing that can be remedied though, and must be remedied if they hope to break through the strong defence of their much-fancied opponents.

The contenders for the leadership of the Second Division should have no difficulty in strengthening their respective positions, on Saturday the British Navy playing Sokol, and on Sunday the Public and Thomas Hanbury School playing the lowly-placed J.A.C.

Four ties in the Junior Cup will be played during the week-end but outstanding among these is the match between R.A.M.C. and Lido. The R.A.M.C. team must surely go on the field with an "inferiority complex" against a team that has scored no less than forty-five goals in their three league games, without a single goal scored against them. Whereas the Army team has still to collect its first point in the same competition.

Newport Ousts Reading In F.A. Cup Replay

London, Dec. 6.

Newport eliminated Reading by three goals to one in a replay yesterday in the first round of the F.A. Cup.—Reuter.

Hole in One Again At Hungjao

After the remarkable series of holes in one stroke achieved some months ago at the Hungjao Golf Club's course, there has been an absence of some feats until yesterday when Chaplain Marken of the U.S. Marines accomplished the perfect stroke while going round at Hungjao with Mr. Arthur Woods. It was at the 165-yard sixteenth that the Chaplain took out a No. 8 iron and holed out.

Inter-Club Women's Duckpin League

Columbia Club Take Three Games from Germans

By taking two games from the Marine Ladies yesterday, the Women's Sports Section of the Foreign Y.M.C.A. maintained leadership in the Inter-Club Women's Duck Pin League. The "Reds" of the Columbia Country Club won all three games from the Germans to win back the runner-up position while the "Blues" went down before the American Club by 3-0 and are now in third place.

Mrs. James of the American team knocked down the biggest number of pins, getting a high triple of 311 while Mrs. Nance of the same team finished short of one pin. Mrs. F. Nance gained the best single with a tally of 115. Mrs. McLellan of the "Reds" was next with 112.

Y.M.C.A.				
Mrs. Zee	101	82	87	270
Mrs. Kwok	81	90	88	259
Miss Lemp	91	100	111	302
Mrs. Malleck	88	84	88	260
Mrs. Horton	112	92	95	299
	473	448	479	1,390
MARINE LADIES				
Mrs. Allen	97	110	94	310
Mrs. Johnston	90	70	86	246
Mrs. Hommel	77	103	72	[illegible]
Mrs. Kaufman	91	94	96	254
Mrs. Krulak	83	75	92	260
	438	452	413	1,303
C.C.C. BLUES				
Miss Kimball	79	83	84	246
Mrs. Grey	76	77	82	235
Mrs. Dalton	98	70	80	248
Mrs. Cardwell	88	85	94	267
Mrs. Schuster	95	83	93	271
	436	398	433	1,26[illegible]
AMERICAN CLUB				
Mrs. Evans	79	86	87	252
Mrs. Lemneck	82	107	105	294
Mrs. James	108	100	103	311
Mrs. Deegan	96	92	94	282
Mrs. Nance	83	94	115	282
	448	469	504	1,421
C.C.C. REDS				
Mrs. McLellan	101	93	112	306
Mrs. Freeman	67	82	76	225
Mrs. Nance	80	80	80	240
Mrs. Putman	84	91	100	275
Mrs. Geibel	87	96	92	275
	419	442	460	1,321
GERMAN CLUB				
Mrs. Weida	81	90	85	256
Mrs. Leiman	88	85	86	259
Mrs. Edgers	74	84	80	238
Mrs. Fachs	80	76	86	242
Mrs. Lindmer	79	78	78	235
	402	413	415	1,230

Natal Knocks Up Big Score Against M.C.C.

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Durban, Dec. 6.

With three of their players contributing substantial scores, Natal completed their first innings for 307 yesterday in their match against the M.C.C.

Harvey was top-scorer with 92, W. Wade made 56 and E. Dalton 47.

Verity claimed three victims for 49, Wright three for 81, Wilkinson two for 57, and Farnes 0 for 59.

At the close the tourists had knocked up 105 without loss, with Hutton 65 and Edrich 39, both not out.—Reuter.

1st Battalion March on In Basketball Series

U.S.S. Augusta Trounced By Marine Team

With Aikman and Goush in fine form, the First Battalion escaped unscathed from Headquarters last night in the Inter-Battalion Basketball Series at the Navy Y.M.C.A. and won by 50-36.

The game was close all the way as the Headquarters put up a tight defence which allowed the ultimate victors very little room. In the first half the score read 20-16, with the First Battalion holding a two-goal advantage. In the second half, Aikman and Goush dazzled across the floor and broke loose on many occasions.

1ST BATTALION	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Hughes, f.	1	0	2	2
Day, f.	1	0	1	2
Estes, f.	0	0	0	0
Grow, f.	4	2	2	10
Pasko, c.	2	2	1	6
Goush, g.	9	0	1	18
Erickson, g.	0	1	1	1
Aikman, g.	5	1	3	11
Flippo, g.	0	0	0	0
	22	6	9	50
HEADQUARTERS				
Montwill, f.	1	1	4	3
Millar, f.	1	1	3	3
Rozier, f.	0	0	0	0
Humphries, f.	4	0	0	8
Campbell, f.	1	0	0	2
Kaufman, c.	5	0	1	10
Baker, g.	3	0	1	6
Dingwall, g.	2	0	1	4
	17	2	10	36

1st half:—1st Bn. 20, Hdq. 16.
2nd half:—1st Bn. 30, Hdq. 20.

U.S.S. Augusta Defeated

The Second Battalion, unbeaten in the series, easily took the U.S.S. Augusta into camp in a friendly game which resulted in a score of 52-34. The Marines led from the beginning and finished at 26-18 at half-time.

2ND BATTALION	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Bracken, f.	3	0	1	6
Moore, f.	5	0	0	10
Winchester, f.	2	3	2	7
Palmer, f.	3	0	0	6
Wilde, c.	0	0	1	0
Matujec, c.	1	0	1	2
Bryant, g.	2	2	1	6
Sargent, g.	3	0	3	6
Lewis, g.	3	0	2	6
Tierney, g.	1	1	0	3
	23	6	11	52
U.S.S. AUGUSTA				
Harpold, f.	7	1	1	15
Yackee, f.	0	1	1	1
Doxy, f.	2	1	2	5
Hooberger, f.	1	0	1	2
Ford, c.	1	0	2	2
Carroll, c.	0	0	0	0
Baringer, g.	0	0	0	0
Schmitz, g.	3	1	1	7
Hurst, g.	0	2	3	2
	14	6	11	34

1st half:—2nd Bn. 26, Augusta 18.
2nd half:—2nd Bn. 18, Augusta 8.

Darts Final Tomorrow

The final will be played at Carter Road at 8.30 p.m. Wednesday December 7. Inspector Ling will provide a special board for this match and the Office i/c and Steward of Carter Road have kindly agreed to make the necessary arrangements for players and spectators. All interested are cordially invited to attend. Draught beer and hot dogs will be available.

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Commons Cheer Assurance of Italian Government

Rome Press Campaign Against France Continues; Scope of Mr. Chamberlain's Rome Talks Hinted

London, Dec. 6.

CHEERS greeted an announcement made by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, in the House of Commons yesterday that after the demonstration in the Italian Chamber, in which certain deputies arose and shouted "Tunis! Corsica!" Lord Perth, the British Ambassador in Rome, saw Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister.

From Count Ciano's reply, stated Mr. Chamberlain, it was clear that the Italian Government did not associate themselves with the demonstration, and had no intention of departing from the undertakings given to Great Britain to respect the status quo in the Mediterranean.—Reuter.

Rome, Dec. 6.

Hundreds of students marched towards the French Embassy today shouting "Tunis, Tunis."

All approaches to the Embassy were strongly guarded.

En route, the students assembled outside the Palazzo Venezia and acclaimed Signor Mussolini, who did not appear.

The demonstration continued outside the offices of the Fascist Party, where the Federal Secretary of the Party addressed the students. He is reported to have told them that they had done well to show their sentiments.

Further press attacks against France appeared yesterday. Certain French newspapers are banned from admission to Italy.

It is the subject of comment here that no Italian newspaper has hitherto mentioned the second visit of Lord Perth, the British Ambassador, to Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, on Saturday, when he discussed the Tunis manifestations.

Signor Virginio Gayda, writing in the "Giornale d'Italia," declares that the pre-ordained and organized events in Corsica and Tunis "against Italy" must be stressed as a fateful sign of French responsibility. They cannot, declares Signor Gayda, make Italy abandon her policy of inflexibly safeguarding her interests and aspirations.—Reuter.

Rome Disappointed

Rome, Dec. 5.

Italian politicians expressed great disappointment over Mr. Neville Chamberlain's declarations in the House of Commons today with regard to Italian territorial claims.

Mr. Chamberlain faced a barrage of questions upon the subject in the House but he would say only that he had assurances from the Italian Government, and that he accepted them.

Politicians here previously did not believe that Britain would consider Italian claims contrary to the spirit of the Anglo-Italian Agreement. Furthermore, they thought London too desirous of rapprochement with Rome to intervene "in a matter affecting France only."—Havas.

London Assesses Issues

London, Dec. 5.

Count Ciano's assurances of Italian respect for the April 16 Anglo-Italian Accords meant respect for the territorial status quo in the Mediterranean, will prevent the Italian Government from officially forwarding demands upon French possessions, it is believed here.

Informed quarters also believed the Italian campaign for territorial gain at France's expense, to be aimed merely as "blackmail of the French Government to obtain certain advantages in Tunisia and Djibouti," which, however, would not include territorial transfers.

Competent sources predicted today that Signor Benito Mussolini will propose to Mr. Chamberlain in January to withdraw all Italian combatants in Spain provided that General Francisco Franco obtains belligerency rights and France agrees to discuss the Tunisian and Djibouti problems.

Mr. Chamberlain is most unlikely to yield to these terms and will, at all events, refuse to grant belligerency rights because of present widespread annoyance in Britain against the seizure of Britain-bound cargoes and the launching of an anti-French campaign.

Mr. Chamberlain is also expected to reject Italy's claim for part in the administration of the Suez Canal but he might contemplate lowering the canal tariff rates in favour of Italian vessels though the final decision rests not with Britain alone, but the whole Board of Administrators.

Mr. Chamberlain, while in Rome, is expected to discuss with Il Duce the question of guarantees for Czechoslovakia's new frontiers, as promised at Munich. These will not be of the "automatic type." Thus, the guarantees will be enforced only in the event of unprovoked aggression,—and the guarantor Powers will remain free to decide whether any eventual aggression is provoked or not, it is stressed.—Havas.

Strikes in France Breaking Down

Naval Arsenal Workers Ordered Longer Hours; Navy Men to Man Liner

Paris, Dec. 6.

The Ministry of Marine yesterday announced the decision to increase immediately, by four hours, the working week in all arsenals connected with naval undertakings to accelerate warship repair and construction. Workers will be paid overtime at the rate of ten per cent. extra to their ordinary wages.

Readiness of the Compagnie Generale de Travail to re-establish social peace is expressed in a resolution by its Executive Committee, which declares that the C. G. T. is prepared to enter into "any discussions conductive to bringing an end to the conflict."

Naval Men to Man Liner

A detachment of naval men from Cherbourg left for Le Havre tonight to man the liner Paris, which the Ministry of Mercantile Marine announces, will sail for New York tomorrow as scheduled.

It is understood that this measure was agreed upon by the Ministry, in conjunction with M. Edouard Daladier, the Prime Minister.

Strikers at Le Havre where the Normandie, and seventeen other ships are being held up by strike crews, last night voted to continue the strike.

The Normandie is now to sail on December 17, and no extension of Le Havre strike to other ports is anticipated.

Strikes of dockers at Dieppe and Boulogne, have ended and the strike at Marseilles is now practically at an end.

The general situation in the country is improved with the return to work of many thousands of strikers.

M. Leon Jouhaux, Secretary-General of the National Committee of the C.G.T. yesterday declared that the Government and employers were evidently trying to "decapitate the Trade Union movement."—Reuter.

Pootung Official Will Be Hankow Mayor

Mr. Su Shi-wen Takes Post On Return from Tokyo

Mr. Su Shi-wen, general secretary of the newly formed Greater Shanghai Municipal Government who is now on his way back to Shanghai from a business trip to Tokyo with some other Chinese officials has been definitely appointed as Mayor of Hankow, according to Chinese evening reports. The former mayor of the defunct Ta Tao city government in Pootung is to arrive here today to hand over his portfolio before going to Hankow, it is stated.

Colonel Hu Cheng-koo, former chief of the police corps of the Pootung regime, who was dismissed and detained by the Japanese some months ago on suspicion that he had tried to co-operate with guerillas in an uprising on the peninsula, is said to be still detained in Hongkew. He will soon be released through good offices made by Mr. Su who is his schoolmate and will also go to Hankow to start his official career anew there, according to the reports.

Three other important Chinese officials returned here on Monday from Japan where a conference aiming at securing close co-operation between China, Japan and Manchoukuo has just been concluded. Mr. Wang Tze-hui, Minister of Industries of the "Reformed Government" is one of them.

Of particular interest to the public in Shanghai is General Ho Feng-ling, an old northern warlord from Tientsin who went to Japan allegedly for the purpose of obtaining the position as the Greater Shanghai Garrison Commander. The third official who arrived on Monday is General Chi Hsieh-yuan, also a retired warlord, who is said to be trying to become the "Pacification Commissioner for Kiangsu, Chekiang and Anhwei."

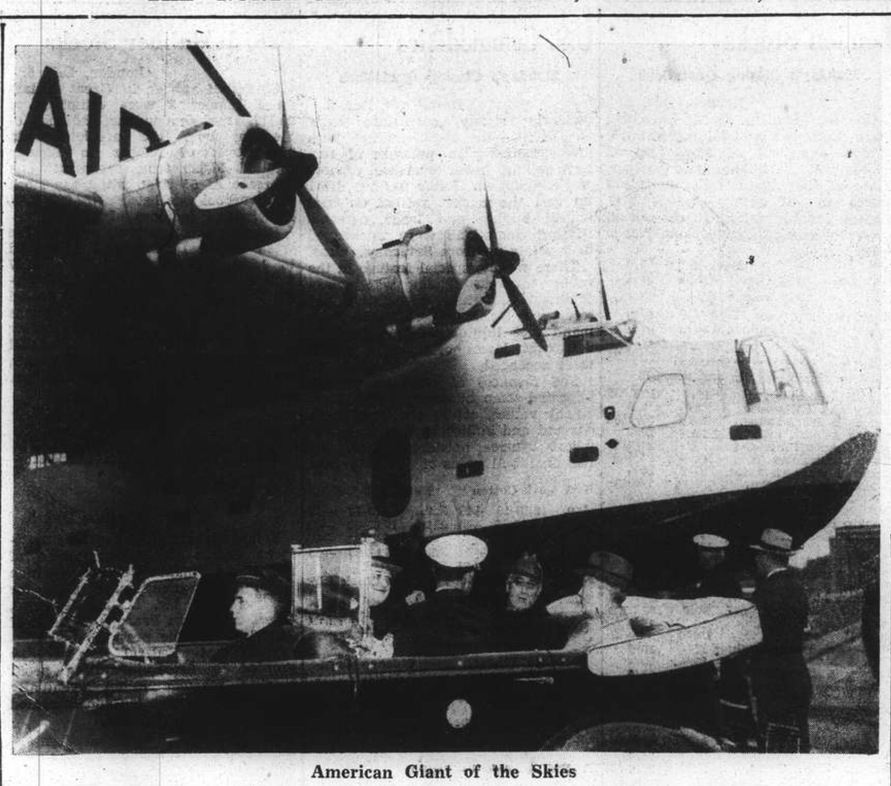
Fur Store Accountant Charged

Alleged Misappropriation of Money from Deposits

Sze Tze-ching, the 28-year-old accountant of a fur coat store in Szechuen Road who was arrested by the Central Police the other day, is now behind the bars in the First Special District Court being charged with fraud. A formal hearing of the case in which the youth is alleged to have misappropriated $5,000 will be held next week.

It was revealed in court that since May of this year the young accountant had allegedly misappropriated from the Chen Chang Kee Fur Coat store, 465 Szechuen Road, by deducting the sums of money which he was asked to deposit with a bank. He was also alleged to have "squeezed" the money paid by customers of his store.

His manager did not know all this until very recently when the young accountant aroused his suspicions by spending lavishly. The manager investigated and after studying his bank account he discovered that a sum of $5,000 was unaccounted for. The Central Police were accordingly notified and official investigations revealed that the youth had been in love with a taxi-dancer of a cabaret in Yu Ya Ching Road for whom he bought gold bracelets and other gifts.



American Giant of the Skies

President Franklin D. Roosevelt, seated in the back of the car with Mr. Charles Edison, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, is seen inspecting the new $1,000,000 experimental naval bomber at the Anacostia Air Base. The plane was flown there non-stop from San Diego, California, in 14 hours.

Palestine Command Changed

Lt.-Gen. Barker Takes Post; Lt.-Gen. Haining Given Western Command

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 6.

The following appointments are announced by the War Office:—

Lt.-Gen. Walter Venning to be Quartermaster-General of the British Forces;

Lt.-Gen. Wellesley Douglas Brownrigg to be Director-General of the Territorial Army;

Lt.-Gen. Robert Haining, G.O.C., Palestine, to be G.O.C., Western Command;

Maj.-Gen. Michael Barker to be G.O.C., Palestine and Trans-Jordan, with the rank of Lieutenant-General.

Maj.-Gen. George Giffard to be Military Secretary to Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, with the rank of Lieutenant-General.

The appointments of Lt.-Gen. Haining and Maj.-Gen. Barker take effect as from August 1939.—Reuter.

Further Gold Shipments Arrive in New York

New York, Dec. 6.

The Federal Reserve Bank has received notification that further shipments of gold are to arrive in the United States shortly. These shipments include $5,800,000 worth of the precious metal from Japan $2,700,000 from the Netherlands, and $2,000,000 from Great Britain.—Havas.

No Yangtze Mouth Fortifications

Questioned regarding the despatch, published in yesterday's "North-China Daily News," reproducing information printed in the London "Daily Herald," that the Japanese were constructing forts at the mouth of the Yangtze "to maintain control of the Yangtze and its tributaries," the naval spokesman emphatically denied that any such fortifications were being built. The army spokesman associated himself with this denial.

Robbed After Leaving Cabarets

Chinese Charged with Crimes After Curfew Hours

Pleasure seekers in Shanghai today will learn with relief that at least four out of many robbers who specialize in relieving rich people coming from amusement resorts of their cash after the curfew hour has begun were formally charged with robbery yesterday in the First Special District Court. A mounting mass of evidence was produced by the police against them but judgment was reserved for the next week.

The police indicted them on no less than 11 counts. It was revealed that most of the crimes were committed in the Louza District where many Chinese hotels, sing-song houses and cabarets are located. The favourite trick of the men was to waylay pleasure seekers at the door and when they hired cars they followed them until they got into the cars in which money was stolen.

The four men were recently arrested together with eight others, two of whom were released yesterday as no evidence could be found against them. The other six men were charged with trafficking in opium.

It was revealed in court that the robbers carried out their plans in a most expert manner. They usually descended upon their victims at an opportune time and when the latter entered motor cars they followed the lead and took over the wheel. At the point of pistol their victims usually surrendered all the cash they possessed at the time.

Canton Women Pledge Aid to Japanese

Meeting in Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

More than 1,200 Chinese women pledged co-operation with Japan and denounced Communism at the inaugural ceremony of the Women's Peace Maintenance Commission held at Canton on Sunday, according to a message reaching here.

The ceremony was held in the Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall decorated with five-barred Chinese flags and Japanese colours. The portrait of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, father of the Chinese Revolution and author of the three people's principles, was also displayed.

Madame Shih Ying-lien was elected chairman of the commission. Two Japanese typists, representing the Japanese women of Canton, were in attendance.—Domei.

U.S. Must Lead to Aid Democracy

President Roosevelt Declares World Fate In American Hands

Chapel Hill, N. Car., Dec. 5.

Speaking before a large audience of university students and citizens of the surrounding towns, President Franklin D. Roosevelt today called upon the nation to re-endorse the liberal principles of the New Deal, and to provide a leadership so that the democratic systems of the modern world might survive.

The occasion of President Roosevelt's speech was the acceptance of an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from the University of North Carolina.

The President rejected the interpretation of the November elections as a body-blow to liberal action. He said that the liberal forces of the world had often been claimed as killed and buried but inevitably they had "come to life with more strength than before."

The President said that the future of America rests upon "affrmative action . . .

"What America does or fails to do in the next few years will be of far greater bearing and influence on the human race for centuries to come than most of us conceive."

Mr. Roosevelt, contrary to most expectations, made no mention whatever of the present international situation.—United Press.

Soviet-Japan Fishery Rights Disputed

Settlement Essential for Peace of East Asia

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

In a statement on the Soviet's reply of November 28 to the Japanese proposal to conclude a new Soviet-Japanese Fishery Convention, in accordance with the terms agreed upon in the autumn of 1936, a Foreign Office spokesman today says that a settlement of the question is essential for the preservation of normal relations between the two countries and, consequently, the peace of East Asia.

The reply, declares the spokesman, appears to indicate that the Soviet is seeking to nullify Japan's fishery rights based on the treaty of Portsmouth, which could never be tolerated.

Therefore, he says, fresh instructions have been sent to the Japanese Ambassador in Moscow, Mr. Shigenori Togo.

The Soviet, adds the spokesman, is under obligation to come to an agreement with Japan who would never allow her important national rights to suffer the slightest impairment.

He concludes: "I earnestly hope that the Moscow authorities will drop their dilatory tactics and that the proposed Fishery Convention will be concluded as soon as possible."—Reuter.

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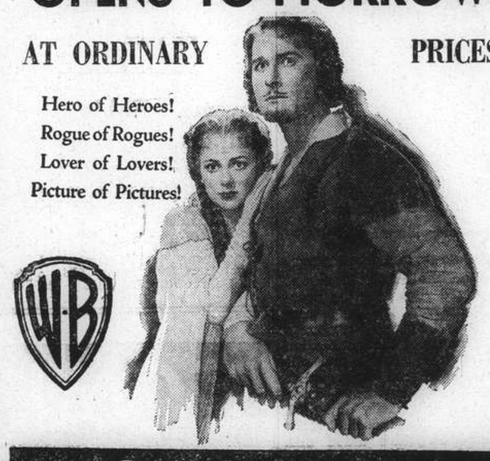
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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1938

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 8 3/16 .... $ 29.31
U.S. $100 @ 16 .... $625.00

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 8 5/16 .... $28.872
U.S. $100 @ 16 5/16 .... $613.02
London—demand 8 5/16
4 months' sight credits 8⅜
4 months' sight docts 8 7/16
6 months' sight credits 8 13/32
6 months' sight docts 8 15/32
New York—demand .... U.S. $16 5/16
4 months' sight credits 16⅜
4 months' sight docts 16½
Paris—4 months' sight docts Fcs. nom

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling .... 8 15/64 U.S. $16⅛
Hongkong/London 1/3

Chartered Bank

Canadian $100 @ 16 .... $625.00
Hongkong $54¼ $100.00

Netherlands Trading Society

Netherlands Guilders ...... Buying 30⅛
Java Guilders ...... Buying 30⅛
Netherlands Guilders ...... Selling 29½
Java Guilders ...... Selling 29½

American Express Co., Inc.

Buying U.S.$100=$615.385 £1=$28.873
Selling U.S.$100=$625.00 £1=$29.313

Banque Belge Pour L'Etranger

Belgas 0.95=$1 Belgas 27.75=£1

Italian Bank for China

It. Lire 2.95=$1 Swiss Frs. 0.70¾=$1
Tourist Lire 3.26 .... $1

Other Quotations

Berlin/Hamburg T.T. $100=Rm. 39½
$100=Reg. Mk. 81.00

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTERBANK CASH DELIVERY

	Highest	Lowest
£	8 17/64	8 15/64
U.S. G.$	16 5/32	16 3/32
Yen	—	—

MERCHANTS CLOSING RATES

SELLING Cash		BUYING Dec.	
£ T.T.	8 7/32	4 m/s. l.c.	8 5/16
G.$ T.T.	16 1/16	4 m/s. l.c.	16¼
Fcs. T.T.	608	4 m/s.	623
Rs. T.T.	45⅞	7 d/s.	46⅜

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	20	19 5/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	42¾	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	50.08	—

Bombay offtake 40 bars.

London silver was ⅛ down for ready and 1/16 down forward, being 20.– for ready and 19 5/16 forward. New York was unchanged at 42¾ and Bombay was 6 annas down at 50.08.

It was reported India sold. The American trade bought at the decline. Market steady. After the official fixing the market was quietly steady. Sellers were reserved.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 8 7/32 sterling and 16 1/16 U.S.$.

The Interbank market was steady. At the opening with sellers at 8¼ sterling and 16⅛ U.S.$, for cash and business was done soon after the opening on a higher basis though rates were not maintained.

At the close there were sellers at:

8 15/64 sterling	16⅛ U.S.$	Cash
8 7/32 „	16 1/16 „	Dec.
8 5/32 „	15 15/16 „	Jan.

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay Rupee T. T. on: Dec. 5.

Japan	78⅝	London	1/5 57/64
New York	286¾	2 mths	
Shanghai	48¼	„ (sellers)	1/5 57/64
Hongkong	86¼	„ (buyers)	1/5 31/32

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	469.50	Bombay	1/5 59/64
Paris	177.62	Hongkong	1/3 1/16
Berlin	11.71	Bangkok	1/10¼
Amsterdam	8.63½	Singapore	2/4
Brussels	27.89	Yokohama	1/2
Madrid	100.00	„ (buying)	unq.
Milan	89.20	C'slovakia	137.13S
Berne	20.77	S.—Sellers	
Shanghai	8½d.N		

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.10	Japan	27.38
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	16.30
Holland	54.38	Austria	Unq.
Paris	2.64 7/16	C'slovakia	3.42½
Brussels	16.83½	Hungary	19.80
Italy	5.26¼	Rumania	0.74
S'zerland	22.64	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	24.19½	Greece	0.86¼
Norway	23.60	Bulgaria	1.25
Denmark	20.97½	Finland	2.08
Montreal	99.210	Poland	18.87
Brazil	5.90		

London	4.69 11/16
„ Demand	4.69½
„ Bankers' 60 days bills	4.68¾
„ Commercial 60 days bills	4.68¾
Buenos Aires Paper	29.13
„ „ „ market rate	22.77
Montreal on London	4.73⅜

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London: Dec. 5.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	0 23/32%
Banks Bills,	6 months	0 23/32%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call Money		0½%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0½%B
	0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 9/16%B
	0½%A
Call Money	1%

A—Asked B—Bid.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Dec. 6	Opening Prices 9.45 a.m.	2.45 p.m.
Antamok	.46	.47
Balatoc	10.20	10.20
Benguet Consolidated	13.10	13.00
Coco Grove	.49	.49
Consolidated Mines	.003	.003
Demonstration	.28	.28
Masbate	.22	.22
North Camarines	.68	.68
San Mauricio	1.76	1.78
Surigao Consolidated	.38	.38
United Paracale	.50	.50
Atok	.26	.26
Batong Buhay	.023	.029
Ixl	.67	.68
Mine Operations	.14	.13
Suvoc	.20	.19

Turnover: 585,000 Pesos.
Shares Index: (closing prices) 108.12.

VALUE OF GOLD MINED DURING NOVEMBER

	Pesos
Balatoc	1,083,000
Demonstration	141,100
Antamok	353,000
Itogon	332,300
United Paracale	223,600
Suyoc	148,500
San Mauricio	501,700
Baguio Gold	158,500
Masbate	372,100
Benguet Consolidated	947,900
Calhorr	122,000
Ipo	105,600
Coco Grove	105,057
Atok	170,400

—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

Today's market was fairly active, several stocks registering new high marks.

Shanghai Lands: Opening with business at $9.10 and rising to $9.70, 11,500 shares were done, the market closing with sellers at $9.65.

New Engine (Ord.) At rates between $5.50 and $5.60, 11,000 shares were recorded closing with buyers at $5.60.

Docks: again touched a new high, business being done at $109 and $109½.

Explorations were not so active, opening with business at $8.30 down to $8.10 and closing with buyers at $8.05 and sellers at $8.20.

Trams were a steady market at higher rates, business being done at $37¼ up to $37¾.

Power "Prefs" made further advances and recorded sales from $120 up to $122 at which latter rate there were buyers at the close.

Debentures:—Were rather quiet: besides $31,500 Power 5½ per cent. at $81¼ and $10,000 S.M.C. 5 per cent. at $83½, US$5,000 Boxer Indemnity Loans came into the market at US$68.

Official Averages

1938 High	Low		Today's Averages	Change
144.21	100.45	General	132.70	+0.61
149.31	95.55	Rubbers	142.02	unch.

Volume 72,983 shares, 515 bonds.

Morning Session

$1,000	S'hai Power 5½% Debs	$ 81.00
$29,000	„ „	$ 81.25
$10,000	S. M. C. 5% Debs.	$ 83.50
2,000	S'hai Loan	$ 6.30
500	S'hai Land	$ 9.10
1,500	New Eng. (Ord)	$ 5.60
500	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 16.30
4,000	Cathay Land	$ 2.00
1,000	S'hai Loan	$ 6.25
500	Exploration	$ 8.30
500	Langkat	$ 9.50
500	Yangtsze Finance	$ 5.25
1,000	I. I. Trust	$ 2.50
3,000	Tebong	$ 0.87
500	S'hai Land	$ 9.10
1,100	Kaiping	$ 27.00
500	Metal Ind. of China Ltd.	$ 7.05
1,000	Exploration	$ 8.20
20	S'hai Power (Pref)	$120.00
500	Metal Ind. of China Ltd.	$ 7.05
100	Tram (Bearer) £1	$ 37.25
500	Exploration	$ 8.25
2,000	Cathay Land	$ 2.00
500	Exploration	$ 8.30
1,500	S'hai Loan	$ 6.20
1,500	Yangtsze Finance	$ 5.25
50	S'hai Power (Pref)	$120.00
500	Yangtsze Finance	$ 5.25
1,500	S'hai Land	$ 9.15
5,000	New Eng. (Ord)	$ 5.50
700	Wheelock	$ 31.50
200	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 16.30
200	Kaiping	$ 27.00
100	Tram (Bearer) £1	$ 37.25
200	Tram (Regd.) £1	$ 36.25
1,000	New Eng. (Ord)	$ 5.55
100	S'hai Dock	$109.00
1,000	Rubber Trust	$ 3.75
500	Exploration	$ 8.20
100	Kaiping	$ 26.75
1,000	S'hai Loan	$ 6.20
2,000	New Eng. (Ord)	$ 5.55
200	Tram (Bearer) £1	$ 37.50
1,500	New Eng. (Pref)	$ 7.85
300	Kaiping	$ 27.00
500	Wheelock	$ 31.75
700	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 16.20
200	S'hai Dock	$109.00

ODD LOTS

100	Exploration	$ 8.30
300	S'hai Loan	$ 6.30
250	Exploration	$ 8.20
7	S'hai Power (Pref)	$120.00
500	Int. Assurance	$ 3.95
500	Int. Assurance	$ 4.00
200	S'hai Loan	$ 6.30
300	New Eng. (Pref)	$ 7.85
400	New Eng. (Ord)	$ 5.60
100	Anglo Dutch	$ 9.50
110	S'hai Loan	$ 6.30
100	Metal Ind. of China	$ 7.00
400	Exploration	$ 8.25
175	S'hai Land	$ 9.10
200	Metal Ind. of China	$ 7.05
3	S'hai Power (Pref)	$120.00
200	New Eng. (Ord)	$ 5.60
200	Chemor	$ 1.30
200	Tebong	$ 0.85
200	New Eng. (Pref)	$ 7.85
45	S'hai Dock	$109.00

Afternoon Session

$500	S'hai Power 5½% Debs.	$ 81.00
$1,000	S'hai Power 5½% Debs.	$ 81.25
US$5,000	Boxer Unstpd.	US$ 68.00
50	S'hai Dock	$109.50
400	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 16.20
500	I. I. Trust	$ 2.60
1,100	Kaiping	$ 27.00
10	S'hai Power (Pref)	$120.00
10	S'hai Power (Pref)	$120.50
500	New Eng. (Pref)	$ 7.85
500	Exploration	$ 8.10
300	Wheelock	$ 31.50
13	S'hai Power (Pref)	$121.00
500	Cathay Land	$ 2.00
1,500	New Eng. (Ord)	$ 5.60
500	Metal Ind. of China	$ 6.95
500	Exploration	$ 8.20
25	S'hai Power (Pref)	$121.25
1,500	Cathay Land	$ 2.00
1,000	S'hai Land	$ 9.25
500	S'hai Land	$ 9.30
500	S'hai Land	$ 9.40
1,000	S'hai Land	$ 9.50
500	New Eng. (Pref)	$ 7.85
2,500	S'hai Land	$ 9.60
2,000	S'hai Land	$ 9.65
40	S'hai Power (Pref)	$121.50
100	Wheelock	$ 31.50
10	S'hai Power (Pref)	$122.00
500	S'hai Land	$ 9.65
500	S'hai Land	$ 9.70
500	S'hai Land	$ 9.65
100	Wheelock	$ 31.50
100	Wheelock	$ 31.25
4,250	Padang	$ 1.08
100	S'hai Dock	$109.00
100	Tram (Bearer) £1	$ 37.75
50	S'hai Dock	$109.05
1,000	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 16.20
500	New Eng. (Pref)	$ 7.85
10	S'hai Power (Pref)	$122.00

ODD LOTS

100	Exploration	$ 8.25
200	New Eng. (Pref)	$ 7.85
100	Metal Ind. of China	$ 7.00
100	Metal Ind. of China	$ 7.00
400	S'hai Land	$ 9.35
100	Metal Ind. of China	$ 7.00
200	S'hai Land	$ 9.50
200	S'hai Land	$ 9.50
100	New Eng. (Ord)	$ 5.60
100	Metal Ind. of China	$ 6.95
50	Consolidated	$ 4.40
400	Yangtsze Finance	$ 5.50
5	S'hai Power (Pref)	$122.00
200	S'hai Land	$ 9.60
200	S'hai Land	$ 9.65

British Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Dec. 5.

The continued weakness of cotton prices was the only feature witnessed in the commodity markets.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 7 13/16 —⅛; sellers 7⅞ —⅛; Jan. delivery, buyers 7 13/16 —⅛; sellers 7 15/16 —⅛.

London Sugar (Buyers): Mar. 5/10¾ +¾; May 5/11 +¾; Aug. 5/11½ +½.

Liverpool Wheat: Dec. 4/7 unch; Mar. 4/6½ —¼; May 4/7 —⅜.

Liverpool Cotton: Amer. Futures: Jan. 4.52 —13; Mar. 4.52 —13; May 4.50 —11; July 4.47 —10; Egyptian Futures (Giza. F.G.F. No. 7): Jan. 7.24 —16; Mar. 7.20 —16; May 7.18 —18.

London Metals: Copper, Standard, cash, sellers £42 3/16 —1/16; 3 mths sellers £42⅜ —1/16; Electrolytic, buyers £47¾ —¾; Sellers £48¾ —¾; Tin, Standard, cash, sellers £213 —1¼; 3 mths sellers £214 —1; Lead, Foreign, official price, sellers £15¼ —¼; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £15 7/16 —¼; Spelter, Ordinary, official price, sellers £13 5/16 —¼; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £13 9/16 —5/16.—Reuter.

New York Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Dec. 5.

Stock prices on Wall Street today mostly finished up with losses from fractions to about one point in a quiet session of trading. There were some intermittent feeble rallies throughout the day, but these were not maintained, owing to tax selling and indications of business activity flattening out, together with prevailing uncertainties over the European political situation. The Publication "Steel" says that seasonal influences will likely bring about a tapering-off in demand and production of steel. Coppers were easy, as Wall Street is looking for the semi-annual cut in domestic prices of the commodity to take place at anytime. The turnover amounted to 680,000 shares.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	147.88	146.44	147.47	—0.03
20 Rails	29.13	28.75	29.01	—0.22
15 Utilities	21.91	21.52	21.75	—0.08
40 Bonds	—	—	89.12	—0.20
11 Commod.	—	—	47.15	—0.74

	Dec. 3	5
Adams Express	10½	10¼
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	24½	24
Allis Chalmers	45⅛	45⅛
Amerada Corp.	B 70¼	70
Amer. Can	95½	94
Amer. & For. Pwr.	3¼	3¼
„ „ $7 pfd.	16⅜	16¼
Amer. Locomotive	24½	24⅝
Amer. Metal	38	B 37
Amer. Radiator	16¼	16⅛
Amer. Rolling Mill	20½	20¼
Amer. Smelting	51⅝	51⅜
Amer. Sugar Refining	23⅛	22⅛
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	148½	148⅝
Amer. Tobacco "B"	87	86½
Amer. Waterworks	11¾	12
Anaconde Copper	33¼	*32⅝
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	36¾	36¾
Auburn	B 3¾	3⅞
Baltimore & Ohio	6¾	6½
Barber Asphalt Corp.	B 18⅝	18⅜
Barnsdall Oil Co.	17¼	17
Bethlehem Steel	69¾	71
Boeing Airplane Co.	30⅝	31¼
Borg Warner	30	29⅞
Briggs Mfg. Co.	29	28⅛
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	13⅛	12⅞
„ $6 cum. pfd.	42¾	41½
Can. Pacific Rly.	5⅛	5¾
Case, J.I.	86¼	86¼
Chase Nat. Bank	B 29¼	B 29
Chesapeake & Ohio	33	*32⅝
Chrysler	78¾	78⅝
Columbia Gas & Elec.	6¾	6⅝
„ „ "A" pfd.	B 74⅞	76½
Coml. Credit	56¼	56¼
Comm. & Southern (ord.)	1⅝	1½
„ $6 cum. pfd.	47	46½
Consolid. Edison	29½	28⅝
Consolid. Oil	8⅝	8⅝
Continental Can	37½	38
Continental Oil	27½	28⅜
Corn Products	B 63	62¾
Curtiss Wright (com.)	6⅝	6½
„ „ "A"	25¾	26
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	21¼	20¾
Douglas Aircraft	68¾	69
Du Pont de Nemours	145½	144½
Eagle Picher Lead	13¼	13
Elec. Bond & Sh.	10	9⅞
„ „ $5 pfd.	B 55½	55¼
„ „ $6 pfd.	B 63	61
Elec. Power & Lt.	35⅜	34
Flintkote	26	25¾
Gen. Amer. Trans.	53¾	53½
Gen. Elec.	41¾	41¼
Gen. Motors	48⅛	47⅝
Gen. Rly. Signal	21⅝	20¾
Glidden Co.	24	23¾
Goodrich (B.F.)	22½	22¼
„ $5 pfd.	68	67¼
Goodyear Tire & R.	32⅛	32¾
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	15	14¾
Great Northern Rly.	24⅜	24
Great Western Sugar	28⅛	27¾
Greyhound Corp.	20⅝	20¼
Hecker Prods.	10⅝	10⅝
Homestake Min.	61¼	61
Int. Nickel	52¾	52⅝
Int. Tel. & Tel.	9⅛	8⅝
Johns Manville	99	100
Kennecott	42⅞	42½
Libby-Owens-Ford	B 52¼	51½
Lockheed Aircraft	27¾	28⅞
Loew's Inc.	59	59½
Manhattan Shirt Co.	B 13	B 13
Marting Glenn L. Co.	31⅜	31⅞
McKesson & Rob. $$ pfd.	B 36¾	36½
Monsanto Chemical	104¼	105¼
Montgomery Ward	48⅞	48¼
Nat. City Bank	B 22½	B 22
Nat. Dairy Prods.	12½	12⅛
Nat. Distillers	27¾	28⅛
Nat. Gypsum	14⅛	13¾
Nat. Lead	26½	26½
Nat. Power & Lt.	7½	7½
Nat. Supply Co.	B 17¼	17⅛
New York Central	17¾	17⅜
North Amer. Aviation	15⅜	15⅞
North Amer.	21⅝	21¼
Northern Pacific	10⅝	10½
Pacific Gas & Elec.	28⅜	28⅜
Pacific Lighting	Unq.	40
Packard Motors	4⅛	4½
Paramount Pictures Inc.	10¾	11½
Pennsylvania R.R.	19⅞	19⅜
Phelps Dodge	41¾	41⅜
Phillips Petroleum	40½	39½
Public Serv. of N.J.	30¾	30½
Pure Oil	10	10
Radio Corp. of Amer.	7¼	7⅜
Republic Steel Co.	22¼	21⅞
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	43½	43⅝
Schenley	19	18½
„ 5½% pfd.	Unq.	Unq.
Sears Roebuck	72	71⅞
Shell Union Oil	14⅜	14⅛
Socony-Vacuum	13⅝	13½
Sthrn. Pacific	17⅝	17⅜
Sthrn. Rly. $5 pfd.	27¼	27
Stand. Brands	7	6¾
Stand. Gas & Elec.	3½	3½
Stand. Oil of N.J.	50¼	50½
Stone & Webster	13⅛	13¼
Swift International	Unq.	27½
Technicolor	20⅛	20
Texas Corp.	43⅜	43¾
Texas Gulf Sulphur	32½	32¼
Transamerica (new)	7⅛	7¼
Tw. Century Fox	26	25¾
„ „ pfd.	35	Unq.
Un. Carbide & Carbon	84⅛	83⅞
Un. Pacific	88½	91½
Un. Aircraft (new)	37¼	38¼
Un. Air Lines Trans.	11¾	12
Un. Corp.	3⅛	3
„ $3 pfd.	33¼	33
Un. Gas Corp.	2⅞	2⅞
Un. Gas Improvement	11⅛	11⅛
U. S. Rubber	47¾	47⅝
„ 8% pfd.	104⅝	105¼
U. S. Steel	62	62⅝
Vanadium	24⅞	24¼
Warner Bros. Picts.	5⅞	6
Westinghouse Elec.	114	111¾
Woodward Iron	Unq.	24

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	53½	53¼
Brazil	Unq.	9¾
Baltimore & Ohio	17¼	16½
Cities Serv. Pwr.	73	72
Erie R.R.	11¼	11
Int. Tel. & Tel. 4½s	100	100
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s	68	68⅜
New England Gas	58	Unq.
Peru	9½	9½
Sthrn. Pacific R.R.	49⅝	49¼
Stand. Gas & Elec.	62	60¼

B—Bid *—Ex Dividend.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Sentiment on the Stock Exchange today was mixed regarding the near-term, with, however, the long term viewed bullishly. Sugar issues broke sharply as a result of the publication of the 1939 quotas. Steels and oils held better, compared with other groups, due to operations being listed at 59.9 per cent. of capacity down 0.8, which was better than expected, while a firmer price structure aided oils. American Bridge has received orders for 20,000 tons and Bethlehem Steel for 23,500 tons of shapes. The firm tone of many leaders late in the day was due to short-covering prior to President Roosevelt's speech. Adverse factors today included: the weakness of copper metal and uneasiness over the scope of the "Monopoly" investigation.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, Dec. 5.

The exchange market today opened weaker as the result of the sale of several share lots held by Jews. Hoesch dropped by 1⅓ per cent. to 2 133½. On the other hand, Bavarian Motor Works were -1¼ per cent. higher.

Call money declined by 1⅛ to 2½ till 2¾ per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

London Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Dec. 5.

On the London Stock Exchange today, European political uncertainties caused a stream of small selling orders which, together with the absence of buying interest, depressed prices in all groups, particularly Kaffirs which, under French selling pressure, showed considerable losses. —Reuter.

	Dec. 2	5
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£99⅛	98⅛
JAPANESE BONDS		
Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	47½	47½
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	57½	57½
	Osaka, Dec. 6.	
Kogo 5%		Y.103.34
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL		
Allied Ironfounders	20/1½	19/6XD
Armstrong Stevens	8/6	8/6
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	39/9	39/7½
Austin Motors, ord.	25/-	24/6
Bristol Aeroplane, ord.	23/-	21/7½
British American Tob.	100/-	99/4½
Cable & W., new form,	37½	36½
Cammell Laird, ord.	7/10½	7/10½
Courtaulds	29/-	28/3
Distillers	91/3	90/9
Dunlop Rubber	23/10½	23/9
General Elec. (Eng.)	77/9	77/9
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	104/6	104/-
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	24/6	24/3
Imp. Chem. Indus.	31/1½	30/6
Imp. Tobacco	131/10½	131/3
Leyland Motors	92/3	91/6
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	57/6	56/3XD
Pressed Steel, com.	15/7½	15/6
Rolls-Royce	110/-	110/-
Smethwick Drop Forgings	17/-	16/9
Tate & Lyle	80/-	78/-
Turner & Newall	79/1½	78/9
United Steel	23/4½	22/9
Vickers, ord.	23/7½	23/4½
Woolworths	57/10½	57/9
MISCELLANEOUS		
Anglo Dutch	26/9	26/6
Rubber Pltn. Trust.	28/9	28/6
MINES		
Burma Corp.	8/10½	8/10½
Commonwealth Min.	1/7½	1/7½
Marsman Invest.	16/6	16/6
Randfontein Ests.	40/9	40/4½
Sub-Nigel	242/6	237/6
Tanami Gold Min.	6d.	6d.
Western Holdings	14/4½	14/3
OILS		
Anglo Iranian	93/1½	92/6
Burmah	85/7½	85/-
Mexican Eagle	4/10½	4/10½
Shell Trans. & Trad.	82/6	81/3
CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	£73½	74
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	71	71½
4½% Anglo French Loan	68	68
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	39	39½
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	53½	53½
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	13¾	13¾
5% Honan Rly., 1905	26	26
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	26	25½
5% „ „ (Ger. Is.)	24¾	23½
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	14	14
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	25½	24½
5% T'sin-Pukow Rly. B.	18½	18½
5% „ „ G.	18	18
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) B.	18	18
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	18	18
5% Canton Kowloon Rly.	19	19
S'hai Elec. Construction	25/- N	25/- N
S'hai Waterworks "A"	19½ N	19½ N
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	30½	30½
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	9½	9½
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	83	83
„ „ (Col. Reg.)	84½	84½
Chinese Eng. & Min.	17/-	18/-
Chosen Corp.	7/6	7/6
Pekin Syndicate	2/- N	2/- N
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	21/10½	21/10½

N—Nominal.

U.S. Sugar Prices Tumble

New York, Dec. 5.

General disappointment over the 1939 sugar quotas announced on Saturday brought on a flood of sugar liquidation when the market opened this morning. Prices tumbled as much as is allowed under present regulations—the maximum being one quarter of a cent.

Producers and operators led the early selling wave, while later scale-down covering came through refiners, Cuban interests and trade houses.—United Press.

South America to Pay Debts to U.S.

New York, Dec. 5.

The Journal of Commerce insisted once again today upon the necessity of the South American states paying up their debts to the United States in order to reopen their credits and encourage American capital to invest new funds in Latin America.

Recent events in Europe encouraged the United States to co-operate more actively than ever in the development of Latin America, the paper stated. Once the old debts are settled, according to the abilities of the debtor countries, American firms will be encouraged to place further funds in the properties and factories of those countries.—Havas.

Surplus Stock of Coal At Mentoukou Mines

Messrs. George McBain have received information that the Stock of Coal at Mentoukou Mines on being measured on November 27, 1938 by Messrs. Borrows & Co., Ltd., Surveyors, Tientsin, shewed a surplus of 162,262 tons. This surplus of stocks is the result of an accumulation during the past six years.

November Rubber Outputs

	lb.
S'hai Kelantan Rub. Estates Ltd.	10,700
Padang Rubber Co., Ltd.	16,788
Consolidated Rub. Est. (1914) Ltd.	54,100
S'hai Kedah Plantations, Ltd.	48,300
Bute Plantations (1913) Ltd.	28,100
Tanah Merah Estates (1916) Ltd.	51,000
Dominion Rub. Co., Ltd.	32,600
S'hai Pahang Rubber Estate Ltd.	26,500
Sungei Duri Rub. Estate Ltd.	30,250
Kota Bahroe Rub. Est. (1921) Ltd.	41,600

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Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Dec. 5.

Barely steady conditions early prevailed in the cotton market, with prices declining on pressure of foreign selling, lower overseas advices and liquidation. Later, selling dried up and the market rallied on spot houses buying and trade demand. Closing quotations were unchanged to 3 points up from Saturday's close.

There was no special feature in the rubber market. Trading was mainly professional, while speculative interest was lacking. Some factory demand met liquidation. At the last call over, losses of 5 to 10 points were recorded.

The firmness of the corn market imparted some buoyancy to Chicago wheat values, while the good cash demand and bullish reports from the wheat centres bolstered prices. At the final bell gains of ⅝ to ⅞ cent

New York Cotton			New York Rubber		
Jan.	8.19-19	+03	Jan.	15.76-76	—10
Mar.	8.15-15	+01	Mar.	15.80-80	—06
May	7.96-96	+03	May	15.81-81	—05
July	7.71-72	+01	July	15.81-85	—06
Oct.	7.40-40	+01		B/A	

New York Sugar No. 4		New York Silk	
Mar. 1.07-07½ B/A	—03	Jan. 1.71½-73 B/A	—1½
May 1.08½-09 B/A	—03		

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
May 66¾-66⅞	+⅞	May 51⅜-51½	+⅞
July 66⅜-66½	+⅝	July 52¼-52⅜	+⅞

Winnipeg Wheat

May	62½-62⅝	+½
July	63⅛-63¼	+⅜

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

MARKET PRICES

The following prices are the maximum for best cut or grade obtainable in Central and Western Markets on Dec. 6, 1938. Prices are quoted per lb. in Shanghai dollar-cents unless otherwise stated.

BUTCHER'S MEAT

Beef	25-45	Pork	30-40
Veal	45-1.00	Mutton	25-45

FISH

Eel	40		
Mackerel	30-35	Shrimps	50
Prawns, each	8	Carp	40
White bait	30	Mandarin	40-50
Yellow fish	20-25	Salmon	30-35
Soles	25	Cod	25-30
Cuttle Fish	14	Pomfret	35-40

POULTRY GAME AND EGGS

		Teal ea.	30
		Wild duck ea.	80
Pigeon	30	Fowl	60
Duck eggs	48	Turkey	50
Duck, each	2.00	Woodcock	55
Rabbits lb.	60	Goose ea.	2.80
Chicken eggs	48-84	Wild pigeons	25
Chicken (young)	50	Rice bird 10pcs.	30
		Pheasant	1.80

VEGETABLES

Onions (Canadian)	13	New Potatoes	15
B'boo shoots	35	Mushrooms	70-2.00
Beans, French	35	Horse radish	23
Beetroot	15	Leeks, bunch	6
Big marrow	8	Young Carrots	4
Cucumber	25	Lettuce	20
Celery bunch	6	Onions Amer.	20
Cabbage	10	Onions, spr.	5
Carrots	12		
Chillies	25	Potatoes	8
Egg-plant	30	Patatoes Sweet	5
Endive, each	15	Spinach	10
Garlic	20	Tomatoes	25
Ginger	20	Turnips	8
Radish	3		

FRUIT

Amoy pomelo	20-25	Siam pumelo	30-35
Mandarin Or.	12-15	Chestnuts	20
Grape Fruit ea.	40	Pine Apple each	9
Lemon ea.	20	Chinese Apples	20-23
Bananas	10		
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British Rubber Stocks

London, Dec. 5.

Stocks of rubber in Great Britain on December 3 were estimated at 89,717 tons, showing an increase of 114 tons over the previous week. The stock of rubber in London totalled 57,620 tons, representing a decrease of 65 tons, while the stock at Liverpool was listed at 32,097 tons, showing an increase of 179 tons.

British rubber deliveries during the week ended December 3 amounted to 1,386 tons, compared with 2,297 tons during the past week. Deliveries in London during this period totalled 1,045 tons against 1,398 tons during the previous week, showing a decrease of 353 tons. Liverpool deliveries, with a total of 341 tons, revealed also a decrease of 558 tons. —Reuter.

Tax Credits Might Lead To Expansion

Washington, Dec. 5.

Following completion of his testimony before the sub-committee of the Senate Finance Committee which is at present investigating plans for profit-sharing, Mr. L. M. Giannini, President of San Francisco's Bank of America, told the press he had suggested that Federal tax credits granted to firms instituting profit sharing schemes might eventually lead to plant expansion and increased pay rolls.—United Press.

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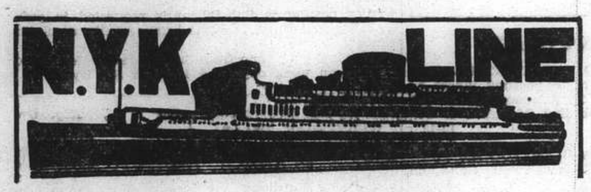

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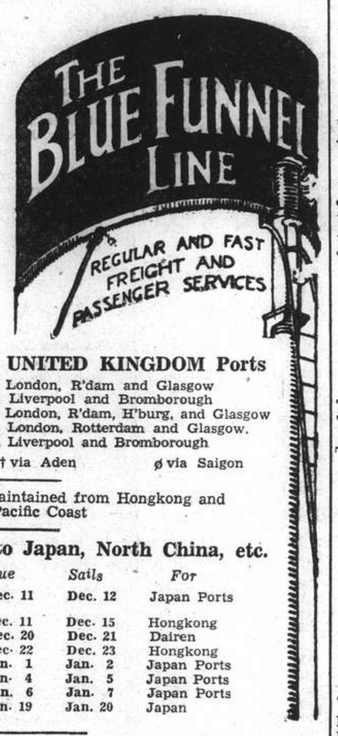

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C	PHEMIUS	New York	Dec. 22	Dec. 23	Hongkong
B	MENELAUS	Liverpool	Jan. 1	Jan. 2	Japan Ports
A	SARPEDON	Liverpool	Jan. 4	Jan. 5	Japan Ports
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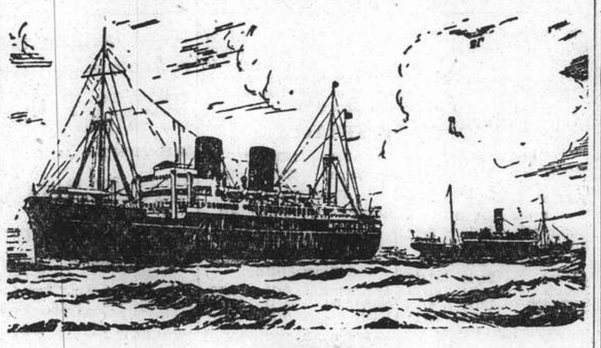

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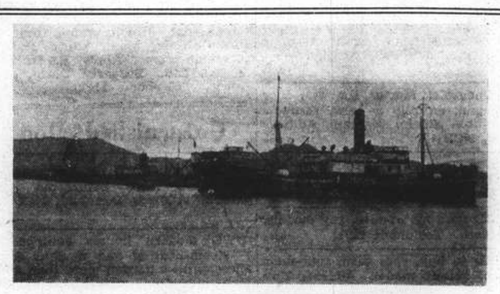

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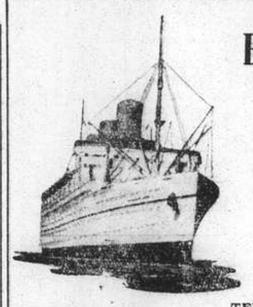

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11.00 p.m.	" "	Midnight
7.30 a.m.	Monday, Dec. 12	8.30 a.m.
10.00 a.m. (Despatching)	" "	

Steamer	S'hai Leave	N'saki Leave	Kobe Leave	Y'hama Leave	H'lulu Leave	Victoria Vancouver Arrive
Empress of Canada	Dec. 12	—	Dec. 14	Dec. 16	Dec. 23	Dec. 28
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Rooms Without Board

TO LET, well-furnished, south, large room, all modern conveniences, for single person. 209 St. Paul's Apartment, 97 Route Vallon. Telephone 72937. -6259

TOWER Apartment. Nicely furnished, large room, all modern conveniences. Single preferred. 1033 Avenue Joffre, Apartment 43. -6254

NICELY furnished room, facing south, modern apartment. 11 Savoy Apartments, 161 Route Grouchy, from 11-4. -6205

DESIRABLE accommodation available, steamheated, quiet, clean house, for transient guests, daily terms $2.50-3.50. Telephone 74962. -6061

Furnished Apartments

THREE-roomed apartment, French Concession western part, to be taken over with furniture. Telephone 70864. -6289

3-ROOMED flat, Medhurst Apartments, to let, furnished, for 2 months over Christmas and New Year. Telephone Dr. Gray 39534, between 12.30 and 1 p.m. -6272

TO LET, Bijou Apartments, 278 Hardoon Road, steamheated one and two-roomed apartments, furnished or unfurnished with bath and kitchenette. Independent entrances. Apply Caretaker or telephone 34477. 12808

MESSMATE wanted, modern small flat, all conveniences, motor-car available. Address Box 3320, NCDN. -6108

Unfurnished Apartments

TO LET, 2 large rooms at 106 Peking Road. Rent moderate. Apply D. E. J. Abraham, 83 Peking Road, Telephone 16722. 12692

HAMILTON House. Triplex apartment, 11th, 12th and 13th. floors, four bedrooms, one dressing-room, four bathrooms, dining-room, study and large reception-room. Apply E. D. Sassoon & Co., Ltd., Property Office, Sassoon House, Telephone 11430. 12646

Unfurnished Houses

FROM January 1, eight-roomed house to let, three bathrooms, garage, garden. Address Box 3431, NCDN. -6263

TWO modern houses equipped with steam-heating and modern conveniences, with a garden more than 20 mow, including tennis courts, located at 100 Keswick Road, near West Station. Apply Lieu Ong Kee Works Department, 33 Szechuen Road. Telephone 15253. -5748

Offices, Shops, Godowns

ONE office room to let, in 149 Yuen Ming Yuen Road. Telephone 16437. 12815

TO LET, large and small modern office space in the Chartered Bank Building, 18 The Bund. Space arranged to suit tenants' requirements. Apply Eric Davies, Room 214, Chartered Bank Building. Telephone 15874. 12648

DESIRABLE offices to let, National City Bank Building, Kiukiang Road. Apply Eric Davies, Room 214, 18 The Bund. 12739

OFFICE space to let, ground floor Arnhold Building, approximately 5,000 square feet. For information please apply to Cathay Land Co., Telephone 11430. 12677

WANTED to rent, long lease, large godown or factory building up to 10,000 square feet. Good rental paid for suitable premises. Box 2824, NCDN. -5971

TO LET large and small modern office space and strong rooms in 190 Peking Road. Apply D. E. J. Abraham, 83 Peking Road, Telephone 16722. 12678

Wanted to Rent

ROOM for young business lady with part board, preferably private home. Moderate rental. Address Box 3432, NCDN. -6286

BY two responsible ladies, one or two-roomed self-contained flat in central district. Please address Box 3412, NCDN. 12817

WANTED, one or two-roomed furnished apartment with steam-heating, kitchen and bathroom, near the Bund. Address Box 3437, NCDN. -6292

WANTED by British lady, early in January, nicely furnished or partly furnished bed-sitting room with bathroom and kitchenette, or with meals, central location, preferably in quiet, pleasant home with garden. Box 3416, NCDN. -6256

REQUIRED apartment or house. Best price can be paid for fixture and furniture. Telephone 74850. -6246

WANTED. Two /four-roomed flat in modern apartment house, with all latest conveniences, in International Settlement. Telephone 19090 during office hours. -6209

Garages

TO LET, garages at Dubail Apartments, 181 Avenue Dubail. Not to be used as living quarters. Apply to Cabinet Marcel Darre, Property Department, 1 The Bund. Telephone 15825-13054. 12753

GARAGES to let at Willow Court, 34 Boissezon, $15 and $10 per month; can be used also for storage. A. Sator, (Property Dept.) Telephone 19902, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. 12770

Medical

SEXUOLOGICAL CLINIC
Dir. Dr. J. KASSOFF, M.D.
Debility, Gland Disorders, Neurasthenia.
HAMILTON HOUSE, Suite 226
Hours: 11-1 and 4-6 p.m. Tel. 14379 12739

Vessels Arriving

All vessels are listed under their original port of call. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited on her voyage to Shanghai.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From OSLO
Triton 19/10 1/1
Tarn 19/11 3/1
Talabot 17/12 8/2

From GDYNIA
Antilochus 18/10 9/12
Titan 15/11 6/1

From GLASGOW
Aeneas 22/10 11/12
Agamemnon 5/11 21/12
Sarpedon 19/11 4/1
Deucalion 3/12 19/1

From LIVERPOOL
Helenus 5/11 20/12
Agamemnon 12/11 21/12
Menelaus 19/11 1/1
Sarpedon 26/11 4/1
Lycaon 3/12 15/1

From LONDON
Chitral 4/1 11/12
Haruna M. 11/11 19/12
Carthage 13/11 25/12
Bhutan 12/11 27/12
Behar 26/11 5/1
Rajputana 2/12 9/1

From HAMBURG
Potsdam 26/11 30/12
Triton 13/11 1/1
Lippe 12/11 4/1
Panama 15/11 7/1
Crefeld 26/11 24/1

From ROTTERDAM
Duisburg 28/10 12/12
Sauerland 11/11 21/12
Preussen 25/11 9/1

From ANTWERP
Lippe 18/11 4/1
Zuiderkerk 21/11 14/1

From GIBRALTAR
Rajputana 6/12 9/1

From MARSEILLES
Mar. Joffre 11/11 19/12
J. Laborde 25/11 23/12
Sarpedon 2/12 4/1
Athos II 9/12 6/1
Tarn 7/12 8/1

From TRIESTE
Fusijama 20/10 7/12

From MALTA
Behar 4/12 5/1

From PORT SAID
Afrika 5/11 13/12

From SUEZ
Antilochus 8/11 9/12
Sauerland 25/11 21/12
Titan 6/12 6/1

From PORT SUDAN
Triton 21/11 1/1

From ADEN
Carthage 5/12 25/12

From DJIBOUTI
J. Laborde 4/12 23/12

From BOMBAY
Bhutan 6/12 27/12

From COLOMBO
Haruna M. 5/12 19/12

From CALCUTTA
Talma 17/11 12/12

From SINGAPORE
Aeneas 1/12 11/12
Chitral 3/12 11/12
Duisburg 30/11 12/12

From SOERABAIA
Tjibadak 28/11 16/12
Tjinegara 2/12 12/12

From BATAVIA
Tjibadak 1/12 16/12

From MANILA
Emp. Canada 5/12 11/12
Tjinegara 11/12 17/12

From SAIGON
Mar. Joffre 3/12 10/12

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below.

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK
Stl. Seafarer — 9/12
Silversandal 24/10 9/12
Astoria 22/10 11/12
C. Mandalay 17/10 15/12
Phemius 28/10 20/12
Peter Maersk 10/11 25/12
Gert. Maersk 23/11 12/1
C. Florence 17/11 14/1
Eskbank 7/12 24/1
Grete Maersk 10/12 25/1

From VANCOUVER
Emp. Russia 26/11 12/12

From VICTORIA
Emp. Russia 26/11 12/12

From SAN FRANCISCO
Taybank 26/11 25/12

From LOS ANGELES
Silversandal 13/11 9/12
Phemius 19/11 20/12
Bidevind 9/11 21/12

From PANAMA
C. Mandalay 29/10 15/12

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below.

From OTARU
Bellerophon 6/12 19/12

From YOKOHAMA
Hector 2/12 9/12
Suwa M. 4/12 12/12

From OSAKA
Suwa M. 6/12 12/12

From KOBE
Hector 6/12 9/12
Ixion 7/12 12/12
Taiyo M. 11/12 13/12
Serooskerk 31/12 3/1

From NAGASAKI
Nagasaki M. 8/12 9/12
Shanghai M. 13/12 14/12
Nagasaki M. 17/12 18/12
Nagasaki M. 21/12 22/12

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPE TOWN
Boissevain 17/11 25/12

From MELBOURNE
Nankin 2/11 8/12
Nellore 3/12 9/1

From HOBART
Nellore 5/12 9/1

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN
Tsingtao M. 4/12 7/12
Hoten M. 7/12 10/12

From TIENTSIN
Kanchow 1/12 7/12
Esang 1/12 8/12
H. Peking 5/12 8/12
Sandviken 3/12 8/12
Taisang 6/12 9/12
Hunan 7/12 11/12
Shuntien 8/12 11/12
Pausang 9/12 12/12
Kwaisang 10/12 13/12

From TSINGTAO
Kanchow 5/12 7/12
Menestheus 30/11 24/12

From TAKU
Glenapp 5/12 16/12

From HSINKONG
Tungwo 7/12 7/12

From HUPUKOW
Tatung 7/12 7/12

From WENCHOW
Chengtu 7/12 8/12

From HONGKONG
Esang 3/12 7/12
Kiangsu 3/12 8/12
Nankin 4/12 8/12
Kwangtung 4/12 8/12
Wingsang 5/12 9/12
Liangchow 6/12 10/12
Tsinan 7/12 11/12
Fooshing 6/12 11/12
Kingyuan 8/12 12/12
Szechuen 12/12 16/12
Taiyuan 14/12 18/12
Shantung 16/12 20/12
Soochow 17/12 21/12

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

FOOSHING Dec. 13. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Jardine Pootung Wharf on Tuesday, Dec. 13. "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 13-12

SHUNTIEN Dec. 13. (Weihaiwei), CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at noon: For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 13-12

SOUTH CHINA COAST

TAIYUAN Dec. 7. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Wednesday, Dec. 7, at 1 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 7-12

SOOCHOW Dec. 8. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Thursday, Dec. 8, 1938, at 11 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 8-12

ESANG Dec. 9. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, HOIHOW, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Friday, Dec. 9, at 4 a.m. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 8-12

SANDVIKEN Dec. 9. HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Friday, Dec. 9, at noon. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 9-12

KIANGSU Dec. 10. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, HOIHOW and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Saturday, Dec. 10, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 10-12

TAISANG Dec. 11. SWATOW, HONGKONG and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Sunday, Dec. 11. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 11-12

HUNAN Dec. 13. HONGKONG. — From French Bund on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 3 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 13-12

KWANGTUNG Dec. 13. SWATOW, HONGKONG, HOIHOW, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG. From French Bund on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 2.30 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 13-12

JAPAN

NANKIN Dec. 9. (From Shanghai) MOJI, KOBE, OSAKA and YOKOHAMA.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428 (3 lines). 9-12

AENEAS Dec. 12. KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—First Class Passenger Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Agents Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 12-12

STRAITS AND EUROPE

C. OF NEWCASTLE Dec. 10. HAVRE, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, ANTWERP and GLASGOW.—The Ellerman Line steamer City of Newcastle is due to sail for Havre, London, Rotterdam, Hamburg, Antwerp and Glasgow at daylight on December 10, 1938. (Ready to load December 8), Lacey and Cannan, Ltd. Tel. 12854. (3 lines). 10-12

MARBURG Dec. 10. MALTA, MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, LISBON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and BREMEN via SINGAPORE, BELAWAN, COLOMBO, PORT SUDAN and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., General Agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 10-12

HECTOR Dec. 11. MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM and GLASGOW.—First Class Passenger accommodation. For freight and passage apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 11-12

KULMERLAND Dec. 12. GENOA, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG via PORTS.—(Captain W. Pschunder), on or about December 12, 1938. For freight and passage please apply to Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Shanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 12-12

SCHARNHORST Dec. 13. GENOA, SOUTHAMPTON, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN and HAMBURG via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, PENANG, BELAWAN, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., General Agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 13-12

TEMERAIRE Dec. 16. CASABLANCA, HAVRE, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and OSLO via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE and PORT SAID.—Motorvessel Temeraire of the Wilhelmsen Lines will be despatched from Shanghai on or about December 16, for the above-mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading issued for all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. For freight or passage please apply to Dodwell and Company, Ltd., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 11366. 16-12

GLENAPP Dec. 17. CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and ANTWERP via HONGKONG and STRAITS.—Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents, Glen Line Ltd. Tel. 15290. 17-12

CORFU Dec. 20. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender leaves Customs Jetty 1.30 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 20. Hand packages only will be accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage will be received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 19. Customs Permit required for nailed cases. For Freight and Passage Apply to Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 20-12

MAR. JOFFRE Dec. 22. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 Avenue Edward VII. Tel. 82034. 22-12

BANGALORE Dec. 27. BOMBAY, MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, HULL, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP and LONDON via HONGKONG, STRAITS and CEYLON.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., 27 The Bund. Tel. 11428. 27-12

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Post Office Notices

Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is requested in order to make connection with the below-mentioned closing times
(Last connecting time from Sub-Offices to Head Office is 19.35 on week days and 19.05 on Sunday).

Date and Destination	*Per*	*Reg.*	*Ord.*
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 7.			
Tsingtao and Dairen	Dairen M.	*20.00	7.15
Foochow	Soiviken	8.30	9.00
Tsingtao and Tientsin	Leesang	9.00	9.30
Amoy and Hongkong	Taiyuan	10.30	11.00
Kiangpei Offices east of Haian	Tejo	16.30	17.00
Foochow	Pipina	16.30	17.00
Wenchow	Pelikan	18.30	19.00
Haimen Che.	Don Jose	19.30	20.00
THURSDAY, Dec. 8.			
Swatow and Hongkong	Soochow	8.30	9.00
Kwangtung	Soochow	8.30	9.00
Tsingtao Chefoo Tientsin	Kronviken	12.00	12.30
Haimen Che.	Santarem	12.00	12.30
FRIDAY, Dec. 9.			
Tsingtao and Dairen	Tsingtao M.	*20.00	7.15
Tientsin	Kanchow	*20.00	7.30
Swatow Hongkong Kwongchowwan Pakhoi Yunnan	Esang	x *20.00	7.30
Kwangtung and Kwangsi	Esang	x *20.00	7.30
Hongkong	Sandviken	9.30	10.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Jenny Moller	x 12.30	14.00
Chinwangtao	Jenny Moller	x 13.30	14.00
Indo-China (Z) via H'phong	Kiangsu	A —	—

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 9th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
Z Parcel mail only.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin or Chinwangtao for transmission.
Next steamer mails will be closed as follow:—
ss. Hector, via Suez, December 10, due London January 14.
ss. Empress of Canada, via Suez, December 11, due London January 15.
ss. Scharnhorst, via Suez, December 13, due London January 8.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per ss. Hector, at 4 p.m. on December 10, and due Bracciano, Italy on December 21, and London on December 22.

Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per available steamer to Hongkong.

Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Bandoeng-Amsterdam) per ss. Hector, at 4 p.m. on December 10, and due Amsterdam on December 25, and London on December 26.

Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per available steamer to Hongkong for transmission to Saigon.

Air France (Saigon-Marseilles) from Hongkong per available steamer to Saigon every Saturday.

Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service:—Air mails close daily at 8 p.m.

Domestic Air Mail

Air mails for Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line close at 12.00 (At Yuhang Road Sub-Office daily at 11.30 a.m.

Air mails for Ningsia, Shensi, Szechwan, Yunnan, Kweichow, Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west thereof are to be forwarded to Hanoi, French Indo-China, for further transmission by the Eurasia Hanoi-Kunming plane.

Train Mail

Light mails for or via Pengpu, Wuhu, N.S.R. and Lunghai (east of Yunho; Tungshan and Kaifeng) close daily, at 9.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via Hangchow close daily at 9 a.m. and 9.30 p.m.; for Kashing and Sunkiang close daily at 9 a.m.

Light mails for or via River Ports beyond Kiukiang per available steamer via Wenchow.

Light m